

WEATHER FORECAST  
For 24 hours ending 5 p.m., Thursday:  
Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and colder.

# Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT  
Royal—So This is London.  
Capitol—Wild Bill Hickok.  
Columbia—The Man Who Won.  
Playhouse—Thoughtless Women.

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## BRITISH LABOR PARTY READY TO FORM CABINET

### PREMIER SUPPORTS FOUR MEMBERS FOR VICTORIA IN HOUSE

Island Representation Should Be Cut By One Member to Give Justice to Rest of Province, He Tells Victoria Delegation Which Protests Out in City's Membership; Refuses to Revive Antagonism Between Island and Mainland; Island Getting Best of Deal; To Split Kamloops Into Two Ridings

While he intimated that he would support the maintenance of Victoria's present representation of four members in the British Columbia Legislature, Premier Oliver told the Redistribution Committee of the House to-day that constituencies outside the city should be rearranged so that the Island's total representation would be reduced by one member.

Under the Redistribution Bill as drafted, the Island, the Premier declared emphatically, is receiving strict justice and probably some slight advantage over the mainland. He added that he could not recommend any plan under which the Island or the mainland would receive any undue advantage.

"If you want to preserve the unity of representation and get away from the old feeling of antagonism between the Island and the Mainland, you must handle the situation in this way, by reducing the Island's representation by one member," the Premier told a delegation from the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, which came to protest against any reduction in Victoria's representation.

"There is no reason and no justification to give the Island any greater representation than the Mainland. You cannot say that the Island is being discriminated against. If you want to revive the old feeling of antagonism between the Island and the Mainland, you can take the responsibility of it."

"We feel that the Redistribution Bill as it stands will tend to revive that feeling," C. E. W. Schweigert, (Concluded on page 2.)

### WANT ALL TO ENJOY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Rotarians to Distribute Warm Clothes and Toys to Needy Youngsters

There are only twelve days to sign on the Rotary Christmas fund list and spread happiness during the Yuletide among hundreds of kiddies in Victoria. The Rotary is unable to give some warm winter clothes and hardy boots to protect young feet from the snow and frost.

The committee in charge of the fund, however, is looking for the same generous support that they received in other years. They hope to over-reach the ten thousand dollar mark and meet every call for clothes, food and fuel during the holiday, and to have a good fund besides to play the role of Santa Claus at the huge Christmas tree and entertainment that will be held the day after Christmas at one of the local theatres.

Dressed in warm clothes and with memories of a happy Christmas Day in the past, the children are the joy of the Rotarians who want to see the children at the Christmas tree. Then they hope to complete goodwork by providing a tree, the branches of which will droop under the weight of the Christmas toys which a Rotarian-Santa Claus will hand out to happy excited young hopefuls.

A COMPARISON  
In pleading for support to the Christmas fund Rotarian Dick Hennessy and his committee compare this picture with that of a poorly clad youngster, cold in his lack of clothing; one who has no Christmas dinner to speak of and has no prospects of toys, arguing that "there ain't no Santa Claus."

WOMAN BEQUEATHED \$500 FOR CARE OF HER POODLE DOG

Three dollars was set aside by Mrs. Clementine Reiser, who died at her home in this city a few days ago, for the care of her poodle dog during its lifetime, according to her will, admitted to probate. The executor of the will is directed to retain this amount and expend not more than \$5 a month for the dog's care.

In her will Mrs. Reiser stated the animal had almost been a member of the family.

She was the widow of Frank Reiser, a civil war veteran and ex-city treasurer.

### Mexican Uprising Is Reported to Be Gaining in Force

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 12.—Large bodies of armed men from all sections of the state of Vera Cruz are joining General Guadalupe Sanchez in his march on Mexico City, according to private advices received by the newspaper The Light to-day from Vera Cruz. The advance troops of General Sanchez have reached Perote, on the Inter-Oceanic Railway, a station on the Puebla State Line. The outposts of this same column have reached Esperanza and Oriental.

Nogales, Dec. 12.—The revolutionary movement on the west coast of Mexico has attained great proportions, according to advices received here to-day, and has spread to Mazatlan, Sinaloa, where the garrison has divided.

A report that several revolutionary leaders were executed following a skirmish in Sinaloa is being circulated here.

DISREGARDS MESSAGE  
New York, Dec. 12.—Albert Mazzareno, Mexican Consul-General in New York City, announced to-day that he had received a telegram purporting to come from Adolfo de la Huerta, rebel leader, informing him that he had assumed command of the Government. The consul said he disregarded the message, which directed him to take orders from De la Huerta.

STEAMSHIP SEIZED  
San Francisco, Dec. 12.—The Mexican steamship Coahuila, which is anchored in the port of Manzanillo, Mexico, has been seized by rebel forces, according to a message received to-day by the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce here.

AGITATORS TALKED OF AN OVERTURN IN THIS COUNTRY  
Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 12.—Agitators from Winnipeg, as recently as July 1, 1922, urged Ukrainian people in Fort William to prepare for a revolution in Canada within a year, a witness told the court here yesterday afternoon in the case concerning the Ukrainians, a dispute over ownership and control of a society and a hall.

The people were urged to take up the principles of the Bolsheviks in Russia and to apply them in Canada, as only the Communist state was good for the working people, the witness said. Canadian ideals were opposed and revolution advised by the agitators.

VANCOUVER PEOPLE TO-DAY ARE CHOOSING THEIR 1924 COUNCIL  
Vancouver, Dec. 12.—This city is to-day electing its 1924 council. There are three candidates for mayor, Alderman W. R. Owen, Alderman R. P. Pettipiece and L. D. Taylor. Two aldermen were elected by acclamation, and there are twenty candidates.

U.S. Republicans Choose Cleveland Convention City  
Washington, Dec. 12.—Cleveland was formally selected to-day as the 1924 convention city of the Republicans. The date of the convention was fixed as June 14.

### Convey Sympathy to C.P.R. Directors

The Chamber of Commerce has sent the following message to the Canadian Pacific Railway directors on the death of Baron Shaughnessy: "We desire to convey to you, on behalf of the directors and members of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, our very deep regret in the loss you have suffered in the death of Baron Shaughnessy, whose wise counsel and guidance will be deeply mourned here, but the bonds which his wisdom forged between the Canadian Pacific and this city will remain as a testimony to his work in this furthest West portion of our Dominion."

### Heavy Rains in Italy; Storms at Sea Capsize Craft

Rome, Dec. 12.—After a few days of sunshine and fine weather, horrid rains are again flooding this country. Storms have capsize many small vessels, especially off the shores of Sardinia. Light earth shocks indicate that water has penetrated into the craters of volcanoes and into the crevasses of volcanic rocks.

### MAKING WINTER INSPECTION OF C.P.R.; GRANT HALL



### TWO C.P.R. PARTIES MET HERE TO-DAY

Vice-President Grant Hall Here From Montreal

Vice-President Coleman Also on Inspection Tour

Grant Hall, Vice-President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and D. C. Coleman, Vice-President in charge of western lines, crossed from Vancouver on the night steamer to Victoria.

Mr. Hall is on a periodical winter inspection trip, and is accompanied by Charles H. Temple, Chief of the Motor Power Department of the C. P. R., V. G. R. Vickers, Vice-President of the Holden Company, of Montreal, and Andrew Kelly, of Winnipeg, the president of the Western Canada Flour Mills.

With Mr. Coleman are Mrs. Coleman, and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Major. Both parties were met by General Superintendent H. E. Bentley, of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway.

Mr. Hall said he had wished to attend the funeral of Lord Shaughnessy, but it was impossible for him to return to Montreal in time, and he therefore decided to complete his present itinerary. He will be here two days, leaving for the Mainland to-morrow evening. Mr. Coleman said that the party will proceed to Seattle on this occasion.

A statement will be issued by Mr. Coleman, on matters affecting the railway interests, after he has had time to confer with local officials. Following the policy of keeping the Amusement Centre issue out of the present campaign, Mr. Coleman indicated that after the municipal poll he expected to make some comment on the by-law to be submitted to the citizens of Victoria at the end of this month.

### W. S. FIELDING GAINS STRENGTH

Slight Improvement in the Federal Finance Minister's Condition

Ottawa, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press).—The condition of Right Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, is somewhat improved this morning. He is reported to have spent a good night and Hon. J. A. Robb stated this morning he was making satisfactory progress.

Mr. Robb assumed the administration of the Finance Department this morning. He could not say whether or not Mr. Fielding would be able to take his seat in the House at the opening of the coming session.

Premier King announced last night that Mr. Fielding was suffering from nervous exhaustion and that continued work might have serious consequences.

### OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE FOOTBALL ENDED IN A DRAW TO-DAY

London, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press Cable).—Oxford and Cambridge Universities played to a draw, the score being 1-1, in their annual soccer match to-day. The score at half time was: Cambridge, 1; Oxford, 0. Five thousand spectators saw the game.

Rugby games played in England to-day resulted as follows: University College, 27; King's College Hospital, 3; Military Academy, 5; Chatham Services, 17.

County Championship Game: East Counties, 28; Hampshire, 1.

### Japanese Diet Thanks Powers For Earthquake Aid

Tokio, Dec. 12.—Both Houses of the Imperial Diet, which convened yesterday, passed resolutions to-day expressing thanks to foreign powers for their sympathy and help in the chaos and privation resulting from the recent earthquake.

Premier Yamamoto explained in a statement to the press to-day that the restoration budget to be submitted to the Diet to-morrow does not include provision for all that is contemplated in the programme for the reconstruction of Tokio. Other proposals would be submitted at the regular session of the Diet, expected to open December 25, he said.

### SHAUGHNESSY FUNERAL

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The Governor-General will be represented at the funeral of the late Lord Shaughnessy by Major William O'Connor, Arthur F. Sladen, secretary to the Governor-General, will represent the Duke of Connaught.

### CITIZENS WILL VOTE FOR CIVIC CANDIDATES

Victoria Electors Hold Annual Poll To-morrow For Municipal Office; Chief Interest Centres in Police Commissionership

Victoria electors will go to the poll to-morrow to select all civic officials except Mayor Hayward, who was returned last week by acclamation for a second term.

From twelve candidates, seven of whom have already sat in the City Council, five aldermen have to be selected. Aldermen Leeming and Gillespie, whose terms expire, are not offering themselves for re-election.

From five candidates, three of whom have already occupied seats as trustees, four school trustees have to be chosen. Trustee Walker is not offering himself for re-election.

The return of Commissioner Stansfield for a second term is challenged by Captain A. M. Aitken and Mrs. Emma Hood. The greatest interest is shown in the police commissionership.

### FIVE ALDERMANIC SEATS

For the five aldermanic seats it is expected to be a close finish, the placing from third to ninth place being anybody's guess. With so large a number of experienced candidates offering themselves, widely known to the citizens at large, it is anticipated that the poll will be much closer than in the last two or three years. The result should be known between 10 and 10:30 o'clock, unless some unexpected delay occurs.

### BANK MANAGER THANKED FOR AID

Had "Flash Roll" of \$100,000 For Anti-Narcotic Fight in Vancouver

R.C.M.P. Drug Squad Inquiry Continues in Vancouver

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—While a Mounted Police agent and leaders in the narcotic traffic were closeted with the manager of the Union Bank here, clerks of the bank were building up a "flash roll" of \$100,000 to be deposited in a safety box in the vault, to be shown to the men who were believed to have 200 pounds of cocaine for sale. Such was the evidence given this morning at the narcotic inquiry being conducted by Commissioner J. P. Smith, K.C., by George S. Harrison, manager of the Union Bank of Canada branch here. That the part played by the banker was of valuable assistance to the Police was indicated by a letter written to him later by Colonel T. Wroughton, officer commanding, in which he thanked Mr. Harrison for the "valuable assistance given to our officers in securing the conviction of two men engaged in selling narcotics." These men were "Jaw Jake" and Charlie Monk.

Staff Sergeant Robert Mundy, chief detective for the R.C.M.P. division here, said that Mr. Harrison "led the Commissioner, and taken him into his confidence. He explained that an effort was being made to 'round up' the big fellows in the dope ring," and he wanted to have call on more funds than the department could provide in order to impress the gang, which was supposed to have 100 pounds of cocaine. He explained he wanted to "uncover" this cache in order that it might be seized.

It was arranged, Mr. Harrison explained, that Sergeant Mundy and "Doc" J. P. Smith were to pose as buyers for a big syndicate of underworld.

## REPORTED LABORITES PLAN TO VOTE OUT BALDWIN MINISTRY AT THEIR FIRST OPPORTUNITY

### F. B. KELLOGG WILL LEAVE U.S. DEC. 22 FOR LONDON OFFICE

Washington, Dec. 12.—Frank B. Kellogg, whose nomination as United States Ambassador to Great Britain was confirmed yesterday by the Senate, probably will sail from New York, December 22 on the liner President Harding to take up the duties of his new post in London. He had a brief conference to-day with President Coolidge and then went to the State Department to receive instructions.

### Central News Says Ramsay Macdonald's Followers Will Move Toward Formation of Cabinet at Earliest Chance; Officially Announced Labor Group Is Prepared to Assume Task

London, Dec. 12.—The executive board of the Labor Party issued a statement this afternoon saying it had decided, in the event of Labor being invited to form a Government, that the parliamentary party should immediately accept the full responsibility of the government of the country without compromising itself with any form of coalition.

The Central News says the national executive of the Labor Party, meeting under the chairmanship of Ramsay Macdonald, this morning decided in view of the Baldwin Government's anomalous position, to take the first opportunity consistent with constitutional practice to turn the present Ministry out of office and to assume office whenever the Labor Party is asked to take the responsibility of forming an alternative Government.

### STOCKMEN WILL OPEN CONVENTION HERE TO-MORROW

Union Brings Together Most Influential Agricultural Organization

Livestock men from the four western provinces of Canada will meet at the Empress Hotel to-morrow for the opening of the three days convention of the Western Canada Live Stock Union, bringing together what is regarded as the most representative and influential agricultural organization in the whole of the Dominion.

### ISLAND MERCHANT WAS ATTACKED

Thrilling Fight in Dark Preceded Robbery With Violence

Suspects Arrested When Found Exhausted by Fisherman; One Believed Dead

Lashing out with both fists Charles Gregert was overpowered by three masked and armed bandits at his store on North Galiano Island on November 29 in a thrilling fight in which Mrs. Wilson, his housekeeper, wielded a revolver without an opportunity of using it.

Details of the story came to light to-day after successful co-operation between the Victoria, Nanaimo and Vancouver branches of the Provincial Police had placed two of the alleged criminals behind bars. The third is missing, and believed drowned.

Cheating up for the night Mr. Gregert heard a knock at the door. He opened the portal only to find himself confronted by three masked and armed men. "Stick 'em up," they said in unison. Mr. Gregert lashed out with his fists and tore the masks from the faces of his first two opponents, which he punished severely. His knuckles were torn and bleeding when the third man overpowered him and forced him inside the building.

Then Mrs. Wilson came to his aid with a .38-calibre revolver, but before she could discharge the weapon one of the gang blew out the sole light and plunged the place in darkness. Then followed a desperate fight in the dark which could only end one way.

Mr. Gregert was thrown and tied hand and foot. His housekeeper was disarmed and made to sit still in the (Concluded on page 2.)

### RUSSIAN KILLED WIFE WHO REFUSED TO MAKE OMELET

Moscow, Dec. 12.—After living with his wife for more than fifty years, Ivan Yashinkin, a rich peasant of Tver Province, killed her because she refused to make him an omelet. Yashinkin was sentenced to six years in prison, but the Supreme Court has reduced the term to three years.

### Unemployed Total in Great Britain Reduced by 24,000

London, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press Cable).—The unemployment situation has been steadily improving in recent weeks. Last week the number decreased 24,000, and now the total number of unemployed is 1,195,000.

### CONGRESS RESOLUTION

London, Dec. 12.—The General Trades Union Congress of Great Britain, in session under the chairmanship of Miss Margaret Bondfield, just elected to the House of Commons, passed a resolution to-day welcoming the unprecedented success of the Labor Party at the polls, and wholeheartedly approving the opinion of the Labor Party executives.

Leeds, Eng., Dec. 12.—The Yorkshire Evening News to-day says that former Premier Asquith, replying to a telegram asking him whether there was any truth in the rumors that the Liberals might seek an alliance with the Baldwinites or some other section of the Conservatives, telegraphed the newspaper: "Needless to say, there is no foundation for these foolish inventions."

London, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press Cable).—Whether the Conservatives will get protection entirely out of their programs at present is problematical, although some members of the party already are saying they must accept the country's verdict for the present.

"The proposals regarding imperial preference," The Daily Telegraph says in this connection, "are considered in a totally different category. It is held that the Government will be in honor bound compelled to include them in the programme to be placed before Parliament in January."

### LEADERS SAW PREMIER

London, Dec. 12.—In view of the persistence, despite many denials, of the rumors that the Liberals were giving some sort of support to the meets next month, it was natural that all centres of political interest were considerably excited yesterday when the Liberal leaders, Premier Baldwin and Mr. Asquith, the Liberal leader, had an interview.

Political clubs and newspaper offices hummed with reports and counter-reports based on the unexpected occurrence which for a long time was generally regarded as confirming the oft-repeated assertion that the Liberal leaders would make an arrangement.

Exactly what happened at the interview was still unknown this morning, but late last night a statement from an apparently "authorized" source said the meeting had been merely prompted by courtesy on the part of the Premier to acquaint Mr. Asquith personally (Concluded on page 2.)

### TO CUT INTEREST RATES IN BERLIN

Berlin, Dec. 12.—The usury section of the Berlin police, which has been busy endeavoring to prevent traders overcharging their customers, is now about to direct its efforts against banks which are declared to have been exacting usurious rates for loan accommodations ranging up to twenty per cent and in some cases more. Numerous business firms caught in the money whirl and ruined, they allege, by excessive bank charges, have lodged complaints and a movement is on foot to organize a joint attack on the offending banks.

### Cable is Broken at Point West of Island of Guam

San Francisco, Dec. 12.—A break in the Pacific Cable west of Guam was announced to-day by the Postal Telegraph Company here. The break cuts off communication over that route with China, the Philippines and the Dutch East Indies. Service to Japan was not interrupted.

### SALE OF LONDON POST IS REPORTED

Daily Herald, Labor, Says Conservatives Have Bought Paper

Price is Declared to be Very High

London, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press Cable).—The Daily Herald, the Labor organ, states the Conservative Party organization has purchased The Morning Post at a price which has astonished those used to handling newspaper properties.

Rumors a few weeks ago that The Yorkshire Post, a strong Conservative organ, was purchasing The London Post were declared to be untrue. Countess Bathurst controls The Morning Post, which is an ultra-Conservative paper.

### Talking Movies Given a Test in Cleveland Theatre

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Talking movies have been shown in Cleveland, these Rogers in what is said to be the first public test. Conversation and music accompanying the pictures were clearly audible and being "broadcast" directly from the film, synchronized with the action. Sound waves of music and voice are "photographed" on the films as pictures of the speaker or players are being taken. The sound is released by radio.

While still in its infancy, it was pronounced a success. It is now merely a question of mechanics, its inventor said, and its perfection is only a matter of time.



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## LADY DOUGLAS CHAPTER

The Lady Douglas Chapter, I.O.D.E., passed the following resolution at its meeting yesterday:

"That the Lady Douglas Chapter, I.O.D.E., put themselves on record as desiring that the drug inquiry be carried out so that all the facts of the case may be elicited, and that a new commissioner be asked to finish the inquiry."

Mrs. J. D. Gordon, convener for the chapter's hospital work, gave an interesting report and told how much the patients appreciated the

comforts provided. Mrs. T. Brown reported that Christmas hampers would be sent again this year by the Soldiers' Comforts Committee.

Yesterday afternoon all that was mortal of the late James Pow Donaldson was laid to rest in Ross Bay Cemetery. Services at the B. C. Funeral Chapel were conducted by Mr. J. Lefevre and Mr. C. Blackstock before a large number of friends. The pall bearers were C. Blackstock, A. J. Woodward, J. Allen, W. Petticrew, W. McKinnon and J. Lefevre.

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## APPEAL TO AID OF GOVERNMENT

Hospital Directors Ask For Supplementing Contribution Sum Promised in 1912 Has Only Been Partly Paid

Faced with a decline in the average daily subscriptions to the Jubilee Hospital Building Fund, an application has been made by the directors for the Government to place a sum in the estimates towards the cost of the incomplete East Wing.

The subject is now under advisement. The directors argue that they are entitled to some further grant in view of the pledge of the late Provincial Government, made at a time when the cost of building was much less. When the scheme was first set on foot in 1912, the Women's Auxiliary having charge of the collections, the Government, subject to certain conditions, which have since been fulfilled, promised the sum of \$150,000. The actual sum paid over was \$6,000, and since that time the building fund has received a grant from the Executive of \$2,000. Thus two-thirds of the total promised has been paid.

Now that the board has appealed to the public, and secured, after five weeks' effort, only three-fifths of its objective, it is desired that the Government should make some further contribution while the estimates are under consideration in the Legislature.

The campaign committee will be glad to receive from canvassers all documents and subscriptions, so that the appeal may be wound up.

### SUBSCRIPTION LISTS

Previously acknowledged.....	\$74,557.80
Volunteer.....	2.00
No name.....	2.00
No name.....	2.00
E. A. M. D.....	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie.....	2.00
Rev. R. R. and Lady Emily Walker.....	10.00
Shelly Bros. Employees.....	26.50
Mrs. Goodhue.....	7.00
Manager and Staff of Bank of Montreal.....	41.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Han.....	5.00
Sum of \$1 and under.....	9.00
Victoria Columbia Lodge.....	100.00
A. K. McMunn.....	2.50
E. P.....	2.00
C. E. P.....	2.00
Mrs. A. G. B.....	2.00
J. J. and Mrs. Ross.....	10.00
F. W. Fawcett.....	5.00
Mrs. M. Greenhalgh.....	5.00
F. G. Larkins.....	5.00
Rev. T. M. Hughes.....	5.00
Mrs. G. D. Grierison.....	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Edwards.....	2.00
Anonymous.....	50.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$74,920.30</b>

## REPORTED LABORERS' PLAN TO VOTE OUT THE BALDWIN MINISTRY

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With the result of his Cabinet's decision to carry on. The statement added that Mr. Baldwin also had seen Ramsay MacDonald for the same purpose.

This announcement, however, did not suffice to kill the cherished rumor of a Liberal-Conservative agreement, and it is evident the report will be difficult to put down until the course of events proves it right or wrong.

### REPORT DENIED

A majority of the political writers in the morning papers reiterate such arrangements were made, and contemplated. The Liberal newspapers treat it as an absurd myth, and the Conservative press, on the other hand, do not give the least support to Mr. Baldwin and that neither Mr. Asquith nor Mr. Lloyd George ever suggested such a thing.

The Conservative Morning Post is equally emphatic, asserting both parties are hostile to any sort of arrangement, and remarking that Mr. Asquith's temperament is far too cautious to allow him to commit himself to any course of action before Parliament meets.

## ISLAND MERCHANT WAS ATTACKED

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centre of the floor. Leaving an armed guard over the hapless prisoners the band made a leisurely search of the premises, taking \$250, five firearms, and some miscellaneous stores. Threatening to shoot the man if he did not get out of the building the three made a getaway, stealing gasoline from an out-let for their boat.

The affair happened on the evening of the 11th, in which a gasoline engine, the Emma, was stolen from the Dufour wharf at Vancouver. On the day following a small craft was seen scudding through Trincomali channels under a heavy storm. That evening Japanese fishermen picked up two men in an exhausted condition on the Sandheads off the Fraser River. One was Victor Dibley, known as The Kangaroo, and Frederick Kelly, alias Horne, alias Murphy. Both men are held by the police for complicity in the robbery of the Galiano premises with violence, and for theft of the launch Emma. The third man described by Gregor as missing, and believed to be the man who wrecked the boat. Who he was the men now held by the police will not say.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Famous Song Recital - New Thought Temple, Wednesday, Dec. 12th, by Miss Childwick, known as the Black Patti. Admission 50c. Come and hear her.

Carpet bowling, men's winter pastime, held every Monday evening at 7:45 at St. Mark's Hall, Pottery Rd. Come and enjoy an evening sport.

Butter - The very best local freshly churned Salt Butter, Island Creamery now retailing at 55c per pound.

The first rehearsal of the "Messiah" takes place this evening at the Centennial Church.

## VICTORIA SPREADS CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Ships Great Quantities of Holly and Flower For Seasonable Decorations

Victoria is spreading Christmas throughout the whole of the Dominion and the United States in a greater measure this year than in any other year. Holly grown in Victoria will grace the homes of thousands throughout the continent, and supply the seasonable touch in thousands of decorative schemes of stores and hotels in the United States and Canada, according to the unusually heavy shipments which have been made in the last few weeks. Holly and flowers grown in Victoria and vicinity have also been shipped in great quantities.

### RED BERRIED HOLLY

Stores in Victoria are taking advantage of the prolific growth of bright red berries holly to make seasonable displays.

Following the stimulus to Christmas to early Christmas shopping this year by the Retail Merchants Group of the Chamber of Commerce business in the retail stores has been well sustained.

The toy departments of the large stores again providing novel and seasonable attractions for the youngsters are daily crowded with youngsters full of eager anticipation and enthusiasm.

## GYRO CLUB HOSTS AT DELIGHTFUL FUNCTION

Local Club Excels Itself at First Annual Ball

Close on two hundred guests last evening attended the Gyro Club's bidding to their first annual ball, given in the Alexandra ballroom. Excellent arrangements prevailed and a thoroughly good time was enjoyed by all present.

Balloons in rainbow hues decorated the ballroom and were also worn by the dancers, a fine symbol of the Gyro Club's support, gave the finishing touch to a thoroughly successful entertainment.

Numerous encores throughout the evening testified to the popularity of the dance music supplied by Gyro Club, and the orchestra, and a delicious support, gave the finishing touch to a thoroughly successful entertainment.

## ONWEGO'S WILL STAGE CONCERT

Bible Class Musical Event to Take Place To-morrow Evening

The fifth annual Onwego evening concert will be held to-morrow night. Artists of the highest order are taking part and arrangements are in the hands of the Onwego Young Men's Bible Class of First Presbyterian Church, a group which has built up an enviable reputation for the staging of concerts of high artistic merit.

The concert proceeds of which are to help the needy at Christmas time, will take place in the hall of the First Presbyterian Church, and will start at 8 o'clock.

## Revised Plans of Amusement Centre Shown to Council

Great improvements made in the amended plans for the Amusement Centre, or Crystal Garden, as it is proposed to be known, as designed by F. M. Rattenbury and P. L. James, were shown to a number of aldermen who, with Mayor Hayward, met C.P.R. officials at the Empress Hotel this morning.

The meeting discussed various points in the agreement, which will be ready for presentation formally to the council in a few days.

## CHILDREN'S FANCY BALL

The children's fancy dress ball arranged by the Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E., to take place on December 28, in the Empress ballroom, offers one of the most halcyon moments of the Christmas season, not only to the children themselves, but to all who can take delight in their enjoyment. The whole-hearted rapture, the unconscious abandon and pretty dignity of the little ones in their filmy frocks, their flower wreaths and wings, and the refreshing humor of those who select to go as black cats, bunnies, or other characters of the animal kingdom are in themselves a source of keen enjoyment to the nature observer, while the older children and those of teen age, by budding twentys can also be sure of a thoroughly enjoyable time.

From 9 o'clock when the grand march takes place and the children go to supper the adults take the floor, and dance till 11 o'clock. Heaton's orchestra is providing the music for the evening.

Mrs. Mortimer Appleby, convener of this charming event for several years past, has a flair for the organization of such delights, and those who have not previously attended the children's ball are warned to be late, as their seats are in great demand.

They may be obtained from Messrs. Hibber's Government Street, Owl Drug Store (late Campbell's), Music Department, Spencer's, and the Empress Hotel.

### CHILD LOST LIFE

Belleville, Ont., Dec. 12 - The one- and-a-half-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mitchell, of Frankford, was burned to death yesterday when the family home was destroyed by fire.

## STOCKMEN WILL OPEN CONVENTION HERE TO-MORROW

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to livestock, particularly as affecting range country. The British Columbia breeders will then join the meetings of the Western Canada Union during the three days' conference.

The delegates to the conference which meets in one province every four years are expected in the city to-morrow. Twelve delegates from Saskatchewan reached Vancouver this morning. George Hutton, of Calgary, president of the Union, will reach Victoria to-morrow afternoon.

The Western Provincial Ministers of Agriculture have been invited to attend the conference. Mr. J. H. Griesdale, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa, and H. A. Craig, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Edmonton, are among the speakers.

The general manager of the United Grain Growers, Ltd., of Winnipeg, is among the visitors, and is down for a talk on the pool system of selling cattle and horses upon which the Provincial Government and municipalities shall have representation.

Major Burde wanted to know whether Catholic hospitals would be shut out from all benefits under the act if they did not allow municipalities to put representatives on their management board.

"We have in Victoria St. Joseph's Hospital and in Vancouver St. Paul's Hospital and in the district and throughout the Province similar hospitals conducted by nursing sisters," Major Burde went on. "These hospitals are selected by sisters of mercy have conducted for turning their patients out alive instead of turning them out in coffins. These hospitals are not making appeals to the public all the time for funds and running \$150,000 in debt."

Tom Uphill, labor member for Fernie, said he endorsed what Major Burde had said, "and of the work of Catholic hospitals in the interior and said they were entitled to equal treatment with others."

"The whole purpose of this act is to place all hospitals rendering similar services on the same basis as far as Government assistance is concerned," Dr. MacLean replied.

"If there is anything in this act which would deprive these Catholic nursing sisters of equal treatment I would stand here for five hours and fight it," Major Burde said. "If you are not a Catholic, think you all the better because they think you are a greater sinner."

"There will be no handicap to any hospital because it may be supported by a religious body," Dr. MacLean replied. "We regard these hospitals as public institutions rendering public service, and all such institutions should be treated alike by the Province."

Dr. MacLean explained that the act was framed along the lines of the law in every other province in Canada.

### THANKED FOR AID

Mr. Harrison - He thanked me for the valuable assistance I had given some of his officers in effecting the arrest and conviction of two traffickers in narcotics. I think the names were "Jew Jake" and Monk. Mr. Davis - That would be Fellen. He was known as "Jew Jake."

### FERNANDEZ TESTIFIED

Frank Fernandez also gave evidence.

### LIBERAL BALL TO-NIGHT

The Liberal ball, which takes place this evening in the Alexandra hall-room, is expected to be one of the most brilliant social events of the season.

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## URGES SELECTION OF IMMIGRATION

U.S. Labor Secretary Also Asks Heavier Penalties For Illegal Entry

23,194 Seamen of Foreign Ships Deserted in Year

Washington, Dec. 12.—Legislation touching the interests of laboring men and women at many points was recommended to-day by Secretary Davis of the Labor Department in his annual report.

Among other things, he asked Congress to provide a less complicated method of handling railway labor disputes than that now administered under the Railroad Labor Board; to give the Labor Department greater authority and facilities for enforcing better working conditions generally; to make appropriations for improvements of the immigration stations at New York, Boston, Seattle and San Francisco; and to enact a complete new "alien code," providing for selection of immigrants abroad, for exclusion of all non-naturalizable aliens, for the penalizing of unlawful entry of immigrants, and for enlargement of the work of naturalization and Americanization. He also renewed his recommendation for a constitutional amendment empowering Congress to pass child labor legislation.

### CONTINUED EFFORTS

Looking back over the twelve-month period covered by the report, Mr. Davis declared American labor had much to be thankful for, but that the Federal Government must continue its efforts toward "co-operation" and recognition of the mutual interest of employers and employees.

"This has been a great year," he said, "for the American worker. During this year starving workers have thronged the streets of a great European capital crying 'Bread! Bread!' The rifles of the police have been called into noisy action as men and women clamored for food with which to feed their dying children. The United States is enjoying a comparative peace unequalled in any time of the world. The American workman everywhere is steadily employed. He is earning wages as high as he has ever paid before. He is working under conditions vastly improved. During the last year we took one great step forward through the elimination of the twelve-hour day and the seven-day week in the steel industry."

"We must see to it that conditions in American industry continue to advance. We must encourage that spirit of co-operation, that recognition of mutual interest, which is already making great progress among our employers and our workers. We are learning that co-operation in industry is the surest and most feasible road to industrial peace, without which we can have no real prosperity."

### UNDESIRABLE ALIENS

In recommending more stringent laws to prevent the entry of undesirable aliens, the secretary declared the present prohibitive statutes could not be enforced successfully until heavier penalties were authorized. He suggested that in addition to deportation, those who enter the country illegally be given a jail sentence of not more than a year or a fine of not more than \$500. Any alien found in the United States after having been once excluded, he suggested, should be made liable to imprisonment for not more than two years or a fine of not more than \$1,000.

One of the chief sources of illegal entry, the report said, lay in the desertion of alien seamen from foreign ships in American ports. In the last fiscal year the number of such desertions reported was 23,194, with 14,734 in New York alone. In the previous year the number for all ports had been only 5,575. The secretary recommended that instead of bringing such aliens before a special board for examination, as provided under the present law, the Labor Department be empowered to deport them forthwith.

### BETTER FACILITIES

In a summary of his recommendations for increased facilities for dealing with aliens, Mr. Davis said:

"In my report rendered a year ago, I called attention in great detail to the necessity for providing proper equipment at the various immigration stations of the country, particularly Ellis Island, Boston, Seattle and San Francisco. I specifically repeat the recommendations then made. I feel particularly that the Government should construct its own station at Seattle, and that the San Francisco station should be moved from Angel Island to the City of San Francisco."

A process for making paper from potato tops has been patented in Germany.

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And it is always worth while to bear in mind that remedy that overcomes catarrh, pneumonia, or whooping, is bound to be of benefit to those who are troubled with head noises and catarrhal deafness. Get Parment and get better.

(Adv.)

## FIELDING WILL TAKE HOLIDAY

Cabinet Colleagues Insist Finance Minister Have Opportunity to Recupere

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Cabinet colleagues of Right Hon. J. A. Fielding will insist the Minister of Finance, at present confined to his home by illness, shall have such leave of absence from his office and duties as his physicians prescribe. This announcement was made last night by Premier King at a banquet tendered him here by the Eastern Ontario Association. The Premier stated that Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Immigration, would be Acting Minister of Finance during Mr. Fielding's absence.

A warm tribute to the untiring energy and faithful service of the Minister of Finance was paid by Premier King.

"I wish," said the Premier, "to make an acknowledgment of the fact which it has seemed to me might be more appropriately made upon my return to the capital than any other place or time."

"The first is publicly to express to Mr. Fielding, who to the onerous duties of his own office during my absence added those of the Prime Minister, my sense of deep gratitude for having thus assumed an obligation which left me free while away to give undivided thought and attention to the Imperial Conference. Perhaps no one is in a better position than myself to appreciate what this double responsibility necessarily entails. Last year, during part of the time Mr. Fielding was absent at the League of Nations and in Europe, I took over the responsibilities of his department. With comparative youth on my side, I felt I could shoulder the effects of added strain to one of his advanced years. It has, I greatly fear, proved otherwise."

### ON PHYSICIAN'S ADVICE

Mr. Fielding has, as you know, been confined to his house for the last two weeks. His physician tells me that the exhaustion of his nervous system is such that were he to attempt a resumption of his duties for some time to come the consequence might be most serious. Under the circumstances it will be the wish of every one that Mr. Fielding should be assured immediately of the most complete rest, and I have accordingly told him that we will insist on his having such leave of absence as his physician may prescribe and have asked my colleague, Mr. Robb, the Minister of Immigration, to act in the present the duties of Acting Minister of Finance.

"I know that I express not only the wishes of all present and who are represented here, but the wish of the people of Canada as a whole, when I say that we can not too earnestly express our hope and prayer that with rest and freedom from the exactions of public duties, Mr. Fielding may speedily regain his strength and vigor."

## EVIDENCE ABOUT GREEN CANOE

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—The session of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police drug squad inquiry before Commissioner J. P. Smith, here yesterday afternoon left the question of possession of the green canoe, around which hinges the charge of perjury against F. W. Eccles still clouded.

Charles M. Pascoe, however, under cross-examination by J. A. Russell, K.C., yesterday afternoon, failed to shake his firm belief in the truth of the purchase.

In direct examination by C. L. Harrison, of Victoria, representing the Attorney-General's Department, prior to his withdrawal from the hearing, Pascoe testified that it was Eccles who had purchased the canoe.

Mr. Russell, in his cross-examination of Pascoe yesterday, asked whether or not a man named as Ray was with Eccles at the time of the alleged purchase. The witness remembered the man, but could not place the names.

### NAMES NOT REMEMBERED

Pascoe said he could not remember whether or not, after a price had been agreed upon, the man known as Ray proffered a cheque in payment, or that Eccles offered to cash the cheque and did so, turning the money over to the witness.

"Did the man Ray pay for the repairs to the boat?" asked Mr. Russell.

"If I remember right, he did," replied Pascoe.

Evidence before the commission, of the witness Murphy, who made the repairs on the canoe, was then read by Mr. Russell as follows: "I was instructed by the other man to make some repairs."

"Who took it away?" asked Mr. Russell.

"The other man," Mr. Russell remarked. "It appears here that it was sold to the other man."

Continuing his cross-examination of Pascoe, Mr. Russell said: "Mr. Eccles paid you because the owner would not accept the cheque offered by Ray. Isn't that why he paid you the money?"

Pascoe's reply was: "I don't know that because I don't remember."

### BOOKS PRODUCED

The books of Pascoe & Company, Ltd., board brokers, were then brought forward by the witness. Following a perusal of the pages an item was found, referring to the sale of the canoe. The entry was said to read: "Sale of canoe, \$70." The \$70 referred to was the broker's commission, it was explained.

Where no mention in any of your books to show who was the owner and to whom you sold the canoe?" queried Mr. Russell.

Mr. Russell replied that the company, of which he is a member, was interested in the "Half Moon." The craft "Half Moon" was held by the United States Customs authorities on a charge of running rum.

The witness said the company had not lost heavily and that the boat had been recovered.

SMITH TESTIFIED

Detective Constable W. L. Smith testified at the hearing yesterday afternoon's session and explained the story of the Victoria trip. The deal for the

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### BRITISH PAPERS DEAL WITH WORK SHAUGHNESSY DID

London, Dec. 12.—Most of the newspapers here have given lengthy obituaries of Lord Shaughnessy and in every case they have been entirely appreciative.

The Daily Telegraph's article on the passing of Lord Shaughnessy, written by T. P. O'Connor, "father of the British House of Commons," is three

columns in length. "It is true he had great wealth," O'Connor's article concludes, "but it was small to what he might have made if wealth had been the sole interest in his life. It was a favorite remark of his that he objected to men accumulating too large fortunes. His perfect integrity was one of the many reasons for the enormous personal influence he exercised. He had warm friendships, though he was too strong, too proud, too sincere a man to be effusive."

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## VOTE TO-MORROW

It may not be out of place to remind Victorians that those who are eligible to vote at a municipal election should not fail to mark a ballot to-morrow. Upon their decision will depend the personnel of next year's Council, Board of School Trustees and Police Commission.

During the course of the year many people write letters to the newspapers and complain about the conduct of civic affairs generally. Scarcely anything is right and they seem to consider it their duty to let off steam on real or imaginary grievances without very much thought to the subject under consideration. More often than not, however, it would be discovered that the people who do most of the grumbling are either not voters or voters who have failed to exercise their right. And if they do not come under this category it not infrequently happens that their chief malady is an incurable grouch.

As we have pointed out before the conduct of the affairs of this city is our biggest commercial undertaking. Those responsible for civic management are entitled to the co-operation of the people. If the people do not give it, either by doing nothing but criticize or not even voting, they lose their right to complain if things go wrong.

## WHAT TELLS

Official statistics issued from week to week indicate a gradual reduction of unemployment in the Old Country and appear to give promise of much better conditions through the Winter season than we have been led to expect from the various public utterances before and during the recent election campaign. On a number of occasions about two months ago, when there were approximately 1,500,000 out of work, it was prophesied with more than ordinary assurance that the number would increase to somewhere in the region of 2,000,000 by Christmas. Since then high protectionists on both sides of the Atlantic have despaired of any improvement unless the electorate could be persuaded to give Premier Baldwin the authority to give preference and protection a trial. To these people this appeared to be the only solution.

What is the real situation as it applies to unemployment and the country's export business? A dispatch from London this morning informs us that unemployment last week decreased by no less than 24,000 and that the total number of persons out of work at the present time is 1,195,000—a very much more promising and satisfactory outlook than one might have expected would be confronting the Government if all the dire things that our tariff reform friends have been predicting had turned out to be true. Admittedly the situation is still serious enough to cause those in authority very considerable concern. But an improvement in conditions at a time of the year when usually much less work offers, at a period when emigration to the Dominions and other parts of the world is at its lowest point, must be encouraging to the average individual even if it is a condition that hardly harmonizes with some political ideas.

It is of interest also to note that during the first nine months of the present year—compared with the corresponding period of 1922—Great Britain has increased her export business with Germany by no less a sum than \$8,631,000 and this amount represents the production of all British goods. The point of special significance in this greater turnover is that it has been brought about during the whole of the period in which France has been astride the Ruhr. This situation very naturally has caused Germany to buy goods that she would manufacture herself under normal conditions; at the same time it looks like a convincing answer to the tariff reformers and their belief that Continental dumping is almost wholly responsible for Britain's trouble. They conveniently forget that there always has been and always will be large numbers of people idle in the Old Country. It was so in the piping times of peace in 1913. It will be so twenty years hence. The very nature of things will produce that condition. Protection is not the cure.

## OUR HEALTH

Victoria should be able to stick its chest out over the fact that the children of this locality are the healthiest in the world. This is the information contained in the report which the Provincial Secretary tabled in the Legislature yesterday afternoon.

It is not necessary to emphasize the advertising value in a report of this kind. People who are moving about the world these days are looking for healthy places in which to live. They want to escape political turmoil in the first place, but the spot that offers all the other advantages that make life worth living is going to get them.

There is no suggestion that Victoria has the most wonderful climate in the world; but it can be said that it runs a good first for at least seven months. What the whole year is like would seem to be reflected in our insignificant infant mortality.

## THE LATE MR. RATHOM

When the hand of death fell upon Mr. John R. Rathom yesterday the journalistic world was robbed of one of its most remarkable and accomplished newsgatherers. He was diplomat-investigator-journalist all rolled into one. Newspaper his-

tory furnishes no precedent for his exploits and achievements and there is not a young reporter to-day who does not hope to become a Rathom before he writes "thirty" to his last "scorp."

How Mr. Rathom used The Providence Journal to tell the people of the United States what he thought they should know about the activities of German agents before our neighbor entered the war is common knowledge all over the world by this time. How he got some of his information may never be known; but the nation which plunged the world into misery hated this man almost as much as she hated France; because he continually foiled her schemes.

It can be said with truth that no single man, and certainly no single newspaperman, ever attained such unique distinction as did the late Mr. Rathom. His name will go down as an ally of civilization and his memory will be revered by newspaperdom the world over. Loyalty to a calling and its best principles produced a marvel.

## THE CHANGING TIME

When the newspapers of this country twelve months ago were carrying accounts of many people leaving Canada for California in search of better fortunes, there is now about the same amount of space being devoted to narratives that paint a very different picture of conditions down there. Some of these are the studied reports of experts; not a few references to the change in outlook have been made by prominent labor leaders on both sides of the line; Canadian immigration officials have also looked into the state of affairs and have discovered tangible signs of less flourishing times ahead; now comes another private intimation to the members of the Y.M.C.A. in Vancouver. It reads in part: "In view of the lure of the sunny south, I thought it might be of interest to give the impressions of a newcomer before he gets caught in the wave of self-hypnotism that seems to permeate the atmosphere here. Unless any fellow coming here is prepared to meet the keen competition that prevails—and has sufficient money to carry himself for six months, he would probably be better advised to stay away." We have not quoted all this gentleman's letter. We have merely selected a portion which seems to harmonize very nearly with that literature which the Canadian Immigration Department issues from time to time—particularly the mention of "sufficient money to carry himself for six months." How strange this must seem to those who have been talking about British Columbia going to the dogs!

## Note and Comment

It is not true that the Government has been asked to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into the reason why last Thursday's storm upset a few calculations in this neighborhood.

So far the Legislature has only been bothered about the quality of the beer that British Columbians are drinking. We shall hope that the representatives of the people are going to be let off at that.

Mr. Bowser wanted to know, if his party opposed the vote for the Second Narrows bridge, it would be interpreted as an objection to the project. But he pointed out that his party was not opposed to either vote or project. Which leads us to ask: "Well, what about it?"

The Soviet Government is looking forward to the day when its representatives can hold a conference with United States officials. All it has to do is to be honest with itself and honest with the imported capital in which it stands in need and the decent world will try and forget some of the ghastly mistakes which have been made since Kerensky left the helm.

## Some Thoughts for To-day

The man forgets not, though in rage he lies,  
And know the mortal through a crown's disguise.  
Akenside.

Maidens, like moths, are ever caught by glare,  
And Mammon wins his way where seraphs might despair.  
Byron.

Softly, O midnight hours!  
Move softly o'er the bowers  
Where lies in happy sleep a girl so fair;  
For ye have power, men say,  
Our hearts in sleep to sway  
And cage cold fancies in a moonlight share.  
Aubrey Thos. De Vere.

Have you found your life distasteful?  
My life did, and does, smack sweet.  
Was your youth of pleasure wasteful?  
Mine I saved and hold complete.  
Do your joys with age diminish?  
When mine fail me, I'll complain.  
Must in death your daylight finish?  
My sun sets to rise again.  
Robert Browning.

## Our Contemporaries

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## LLOYD GEORGE AND POINCARÉ

Louisville Courier-Journal:—Premier Poincaré, who spends every Sunday making speeches, sneers at Lloyd George for "undertaking resounding lecture tours." If the brilliant Welshman should choose to reply to the distinguished Frenchman that loquacious gentleman would keenly regret his insistence on a monopoly of the right to talk.

## Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and to the point. The longer an article the more likely it is to be cut. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the writer wishes. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. Responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

## SLOW TORTURE

To the Editor:—City trade licenses are to be raised once more and in its train more empty stores will appear. Just as increased taxation on property or in fact anything else, spoils the demand. City trade taxes are the most unfair taxes levied. The little man who runs a store to eke out a living pays as much as the Big Fellow who may make a fortune, why not copy Los Angeles? Make the man who has the largest turnover, pay the largest amount. Why not trouble the taxes at once and drive out once and for all those who cannot pay them and not keep year in and year out, just adding a little bit more. Let's know our fate and have done with it.

WALTER DANDRIDGE  
1612 Fell Street, Dec. 6, 1923.

## JUVENILE COURT.

To the Editor:—Having this day received a letter from the Local Council of Women asking whether I am in sympathy with the idea of the formation of a juvenile court for Victoria and the surrounding municipalities, I am using this medium of replying to same. In the light of recent unfortunate events which happened in our midst in connection with some of our younger people, it is hard for me to conceive of anyone who has the interests of our younger generation at heart being against the above idea. However, the whole matter seems to hinge on the question of expense. It is already over-burdened taxpayers are against carrying any extra financial burdens at the present time, but I believe if all of the municipalities interested could be brought together in the matter that a solution to the difficulty might be found, which would add very little to the administrative expenses of any one community. The subject is certainly worthy of the earnest consideration of the incoming council.

G. PEELE.  
Candidate for Alderman.  
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 11, 1923.

## THE BRITISH ELECTIONS.

To the Editor:—Scanning the British election returns one notices that Scotland and Wales have voted quite conclusively for the capital levy, nationalization of industries, and, presumably, the other labor planks. For instance, Scotland elects thirty-one Liberals and Conservatives combined, and thirty-three Labor. Wales elects fifteen Liberals and Conservatives combined and nineteen Labor. It is significant that the English counties are vastly different, viz.: 119 Conservatives, sixty-seven Liberals and only fifty Labor. London city is a little better for Labor, but London is far too cosmopolitan to be representative of England. The English voters number nearly 12,000,000. The Scotch and Welsh voters combined number a little over 2,500,000. Therefore, to solve the tangle, home rule for Scotland for a start! Let Scotland set up a government and put the capital levy, etc., into operation. The whole world will watch the experiment, and the next election will be a get-away for anybody but labor men. WALTER FOSTER.  
Colquits P.O., B.C.

## A PRICELESS INVESTMENT

To the Editor:—Kindly allow me through The Times to send out a word of encouragement to the Sunday school and Y.M.C.A. workers of this city. It came to me in one of our Baptist periodicals in connection with our work in the United States, and it is so remarkable that I feel sure it will be appreciated. The story is of a carpenter who many years ago found a group of four boys "loitering" around a barn on which he was working. He persuaded them to become his Sunday school class. For five years the class held together and the carpenter teacher. So fond of their teacher did these lads become that they kept up a custom through the years of sending their teacher a birthday letter. The last letter received came from Earl Conway, missionary to Central Africa; D. R. Crissinger, Comptroller of the United States Currency; Geo. J. United States President Harding's private secretary, and last of all, Warren G. Harding, the late President of the great republic. What an investment by his quiet Sunday work among these lads! You will agree, Mr. Editor, that a word like this is worth passing on to those patient plodding workers who are willing to give up time and love and energy to help the boys to become true men. WILLIAM STEVENSON.  
Emmanuel Baptist Church.

**The WEATHER**  
Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 12—5 a.m.—The barometer is high and fair, cold weather is general southward to Oregon on the Pacific slope, and zero weather will prevail in the prairies.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.27; temperature, maximum yesterday, 41; minimum, 37; wind, 6 miles S.W.; rain, .15; weather, fair.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.36; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 32; wind, calm; rain, .04; weather, fair.

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	41	37
Vancouver	46	32
Penticton	49	35
Grand Forks	49	35
Kaslo	49	35
Calgary	44	30
Edmonton	32	18
Qu'Appelle	22	8
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his work for the C.P.R. it was mainly due to his interest in Ireland, "this being the only case in which the late John Redmond made recommendations for a peerage."

The Standard adds that when T. M. Healy was made Governor-General of the Irish Free State, Lord

Shaughnessy was a competing candidate and he had the backing of the Duke of Devonshire, who had known him in Canada when the Duke was Governor-General there. Bonar Law, however, favored Healy and naturally the latter was appointed, says The Standard.



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Honors

Use of New Highway by Jitneys to Become Thorny Problem

That the assessment of the city was still unsatisfactory, that a majority of the candidates at the civic election favor a gradual return to exemption of improvements, and that industrial expansion was the salient need of the city, formed the chief features of a well attended meeting of the municipal candidates held under the auspices of Victoria West Brotherhood at Semple's Hall last evening.

The residents heard the candidates carefully, and the applause showed that many of the sentiments expressed met with approval, particularly the allusion to the necessity of industries. As the chief industrial area of the city lies in that suburb, any expansion is certain to make more employment for the residents, and fill up empty houses.

### THE CHAIRMAN

C. F. Banfield, who presided, explained that the Victoria West Brotherhood had called the meeting, in order to meet the candidates to whom a questionnaire had been sent. The ex-president of the brotherhood read the list of questions which had been prepared dealing with improvements in the district. The assessment of the city, the improvement of the Songhees Park, and other matters were presented to the aldermanic candidates. One of them was the question of admitting jitney traffic over the Johnson Street Bridge and on the new highway.

One question addressed to the school trustees was that of abolition of cadet training in the schools. Other queries favored the employment of B.C. trained teachers in the schools.

Two questions were addressed to the commissioners, dealing with enforcement of the liquor law, and the suppression of the drug traffic.

### MR. CHRISTIE

Ex-alderman G. D. Christie alluded to his record as school trustee and alderman. In connection with the proposed use of the new highway, he thought pressure ought to be brought to bear on the B.C. Electric Railway to have a belt line along the new road.

### ALDERMAN DEWAR

Alderman Dewar said the assessment problem was a difficult one to answer. "There have been some grave inequities in the city, particularly in the semi-business district," observed the alderman, who remarked that some adjustments had been made. He was not altogether in agreement with the work of the earlier court of revision (for the current roll of 1923) as tending through blanket reductions over a part of the city only to cast the burden on residential property.

In relation to Songhees Park he said he was particularly interested in its development, much of which had been done when he was chairman of the parks committee. The main issue they had to consider was to make revenue balance expenditure. In connection with the jitney service suggested Alderman Dewar said it would cost the B.C. Electric Railway \$250,000, including the \$50,000 to be paid to the city to use the Johnson Street Bridge. "There is not the volume of business to warrant the expenditure," he went on.

"There is not room for two modes of transportation in this district," he said, pointing out that the jitneys had no equipment to meet any emergency as had the street railway.

### MR. DINGDALE

Ex-Alderman Dinsdale declared that in connection with assessment, particularly if the taxation of improvements were to continue, technically trained men were wanted in the assessor's department, particularly in his view that jitneys did not meet the extraordinary conditions of special occasions, as they had found out on Quadra Street.

He was not in favor of immediate approval of cutting out the improvement tax, but of gradually reducing it to extinction. "If this city is slipping, that its people are going away, and there must be reasons," he contended one of the causes was the tax on improvements, which was driving residents away. There was no encouragement to build within the city limits while the neighboring municipalities were still exempting improvements. The city was ready to take care of 100,000 people, with \$1,000,000 of lateral services put in unmet. While they lacked the permanent residents they were getting the floaters—people who did not pay the taxes. What they wanted was industries and more of them (applause).

### MR. FULLERTON

Ex-Alderman W. F. Fullerton reviewed his record in the council. He favored the Somers system of land taxation. He declared himself without reservation in favor of industries, asserting that the exodus from the city must be stayed. Something must be done—the young people were leaving the city. They must get industries and get them at once. Factories could be secured in the west riding of Yorkshire, England, which had both men and material to offer. Business failures were too common, owing to excessive taxation, and something must be done to relieve the present critical situation.

Alderman E. S. Woodward asked what steps could be taken within the limits of the Municipal Act to secure industries?

Mr. Fullerton said steps could be taken to encourage them. Details he could explain later.

William M. Wilson asked the candidate what he thought of the publicity bureau grant of \$25,000.

The chairman did not allow the question to be answered, saying the question must be in writing.

No more was heard of it.

MR. MARCHANT

Ex-mayor Marchant, answering the question regarding assessment, reviewed his effort of last year to have the assessment placed on a per capita basis. He objected to blanket reductions by the court of revision, as

illegal, and subject to be checked in the courts. Something ought to be done for the Songhees Park, when thousands could be spent out at Elk Lake for golf courses?

A hearty round of applause answered the query. Was it unreasonable to expect that the teachers of the public schools would do less than the teachers in the private schools, in supervising playgrounds? He renewed his statement against the improvement tax, but in view of the difficulty of making a radical change in taxation, he believed that the reduction should be gradual.

### GEORGE OLIVER

George Oliver, aldermanic candidate, said he had first known Victoria in 1892, and for many years had now resided in Victoria West. Immediately the resident put up a home he became the subject of taxation, whereas if he put the money in the bank he escaped the penalty.

Industries were all right, but they must be real industries, not cases of woolen mills which could not be made to pay, but the remedy lay in developing the natural resources of the Island first, then textile industries would follow.

He asserted himself against any attempt to prevent the jitneys using the Johnson Street bridge and highway.

### S. G. PEELE

Stanley G. Peele, as a new candidate for alderman, pointed out that the city had had to collect over \$1,000,000 in revenue for various charges, police, fire and other services, over which it practically had no control. It was essential to meet the situation, because the city had

entered into many undertakings which had been badly handled. Did one citizen out of fifty know he was to have two bridges at Johnson Street?

Cries of "No" and "Three bridges." If improvements were to be assessed let them be done efficiently by experienced help, he asserted.

He favored auction sales of the reverted lands, rather than listening to the real estate men, making the property revenue producing. More revenue ought to be given from government sources, he contended.

### MR. SHANKS

J. A. Shanks promised a change. He said that since he first ran for alderman the city had been steadily going back. With the exception of two or three, practically the remainder of the aldermen were useless (laughter). He did not see how the city could run without an improvement tax. If he went into the council he said he would make a showing, better than nine-tenths of those in the council (renewed laughter). He expressed the opinion that jitneys would not aid the Victoria West residents much.

### MR. ANDERSON

E. H. Anderson declined to make any pledge, but promised to serve the city efficiently.

### ALDERMAN SARGENT

Alderman W. J. Sargent, in his letter apologizing for absence, referred to the city assessment, if not equitable, said, "I don't think it is to be wondered at considering the juggling it has been subjected to in the last two years. Assessing is a science, and the assessment is the foundation of municipal finance.

Assessing should be done only by those of known qualification for the delicate work entrusted to them. When the assessment roll is returned by the assessor as complete, in my opinion it should be left alone except for complaint."

### MR. MARA

J. L. Mara, aldermanic candidate, briefly replied to the questions in his letter. He favored an assessment, if it should be thought desirable, under a board of revision independent of the council.

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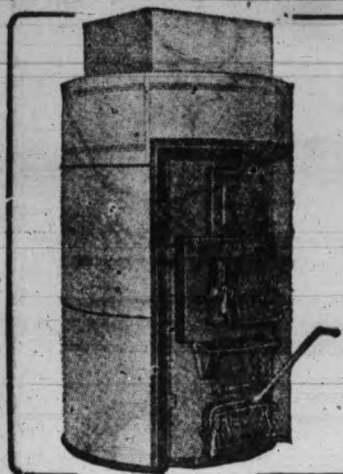
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**ROYAL COUPLE FETED**  
 Stockholm, Dec. 12.—An enthusiastic reception was tendered yesterday to Crown Prince Gustave Adolph and his bride, the former Lady Louise Mountbatten, of England, who arrived in Stockholm at the conclusion of their honeymoon trip.

# IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN

## DOLL COMPETITION AT HUDSON'S DAY

Seventy-Five Little Girls Strive For Prizes

Awards in the doll dressing competition of the Hudson's Bay Co. in which seventy-five dolls dressed by girls between the ages of five and twelve years were entered, are announced as follows: Miss Mary Hudson, of Sluggs, B.C., aged eight years, first; Miss Beatrice Winnifred, of Port, aged three years and eight months, of 509 Cecilia Road, second; Miss Grace MacDonald, twelve years of age, of 202 Montreal Street, third. Honorable mention has been made of the work of Miss Elizabeth E. Birkeland, aged twelve; Miss Lily Mason, aged seven years and six months; and Miss Marjorie E. Dorn, aged twelve.

Much admiration has been expressed at the work of the clever young competitors. The dolls are on display in the millinery department, second floor, and have won high praise from the many interested visitors. The display is open to the public until Saturday morning, the competitors taking their doll entries away after noon.

The purpose of the competition was to stimulate and encourage sewing among little girls. The rules of the contest permitted each child to make a doll of her own design, and to take part in the Hudson's Bay Store, where it was put on display with the dolls dressed by other girls in the competition.

A wonderful variety of costumes testified to the ingenuity of the young entrants. "Charming" bride dolls, in traditional white satin, filmy veil, and orange blossom, several adorable babies complete from woolly heads to comfortable, fairies in gauze and tinsel, with glittering wings, are all represented, while story-book characters include two of three Red Riding Hoods, a "maiden all forlorn," and a Little Lord Fauntleroy.

National characters are represented by a "Stars and Stripes," a Chinese lady, Spanish senora, and a smiling "colored lady," as well as some elaborately garbed gipsy dolls. Two original ideas are shown in a V.O.N. nurse, tending a tiny long-clothes baby, and an "Old Woman That Lived in a Shoe." The latter is a most ingenious conception. Taking daddy's old shoe as a foundation the young competitor erected a cardboard house in the ankle, from the window and doors of which tumbled a score of diminutive kewpies—some emerge from a hole in the toe of the shoe, while still others are partaking of "broth without any bread" served by a distracted "old woman" in spectacles on the cardboard lawn of "Shoe Villa." Plasticine bowls and spoons, and tiny fires in bowls complete a clever conception.

The prizes are exceptionally beautiful, and include, first, a magnificent doll's house, fully furnished; second, a handsome doll's perambulator; third, a large doll's bed in brass with mattress and pillows.

**S. V. INSTITUTE BUSY**  
 The Strawberry Vale Women's Institute at an extraordinary meeting drew up and passed unanimously a resolution requesting the Victoria and Esquimalt Institutes to call a mass meeting of women as soon as possible to consider what action the women are prepared to take on the drug menace.

**LIBERAL WOMEN'S FORUM**  
 The Liberal Women's Forum meeting for Friday next has been postponed and will take place instead on the second Friday in January.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Innes Rodwell, who has been on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Cator in England, is expected home on Friday.

Mrs. E. W. Hale, of Sacramento, California, arrived in Victoria yesterday afternoon on a visit to Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Terrace Avenue.

The Esquimalt branch of the Ladies' Guild for the Sailors' Club held their monthly meeting at the club this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Alumnae Society of the Royal Jubilee Hospital at their meeting at the nurses' home allocated \$100 of the proceeds of their recent sale of work to the hospital funds.

Captain A. Hamilton, accompanied by his son, Mr. F. O. Hamilton, of Milne's Landing, is spending a few days in Victoria and is a guest at the Balmoral Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moulton, 712 Discovery Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Mildred, to Thomas T. N. Ainsley, of this city.

Colonel and Mrs. Codville, Esquimalt, have as their guests the colonel's mother, Mrs. Codville, and his sister, Mrs. Ivor Ross, of Ottawa, who are on their way to spend the winter in California.

Mrs. John Oliver entertained at dinner Monday night at her home on Fern Street with the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Kelowna; Mr. and Mrs. Schofield, of Trail; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Jackson, of New Westminster; Mr. P. A. Paulin and Col. Lester, of Kamloops. The tables were tastefully arranged with pink and white carnations and asparagus ferns.

## INQUIRY PRESSED BY LOCAL COUNCIL

Varied Questions Dealt With at Business Meeting

The Local Council of Women in no uncertain fashion, on Monday, expressed its indignation at the revelations in the recent drug investigation, and its warm commendation of the fearless stand taken by Attorney-General A. M. Manson and his council, Mr. Claude L. Harrison. Including as it does, forty-four affiliated women's organizations of the city and district, the action it has taken in the matter may be taken as fully representative. A letter stating the attitude of the Council is being sent to the Attorney-General, and a resolution will be forwarded to the Department of Justice at Ottawa through the National Council, expressing their appreciation of the measures already taken to uncover the evil and demanding the appointment of a new Commissioner to finish the enquiry.

Mrs. Schofield, president of the Council, reported on the work of the committee convened to investigate the question of the Juvenile Court. She pointed out that such a preventive measure as the Juvenile Court represented, would be a powerful agent in protecting youth from such terrible snares as had been already exposed in the drug traffic investigation.

A message of greeting and congratulation was sent to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cooper on the occasion of the jubilee of the Mr. Cooper's arrival in the city. Miss Crease moving and Mrs. McKicking seconding the motion.

Correspondence included a letter from the Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Animals, protesting against the Len Company's film, "The Last Frontier." Twenty-four of the Buffalo recently slaughtered at Wainwright were killed directly in front of the camera, it was stated, and this was obviously most undesirable for public display, especially for films shown for entertainment. Miss Crease moved and Mrs. McKicking seconded that the Council endorse the protest made by the Society.

## YOUR HOME AND YOU

The children sat facing each other at their little supper table in the nursery, with a bowl of cereal, some spinach, a mug of milk, and a dish of prunes for dessert. Their mother moved quietly about near them, and evidently a game was in progress.

"Bobby's spoon's a silver boat," she sang. "Oh, no, don't pull the spoon toward you, Bobby, and don't fill it so full. Start your silver boat over here on this side of the bowl and sail it across to the farther side; then let it rise smoothly through the air like a flying-boat—straight to your mouth. Don't let it tip. Now make another trip across—that's it."

So it was that this mother taught her child the proper management of a soup spoon. He thought it a game, but he was learning what many grown-ups never take time to teach.

"Here's a little spinach pond, now that you've finished your cereal," she said. "And this little fork is your fishing rod. Now you must hold the rod just so, with your thumb on top and the fingers underneath, and never, never, never turn the fork's little teeth downward, or the little spinach-fish will fall off. Keep the rod very steady and its teeth turned up. Now catch a little fish on it and

## MASS MEETING ON DRUGS TO-MORROW

Mrs. O'Brien Will Speak at 9 o'clock at Centennial For Influential Order

The Victoria Women's Institute has organized a mass meeting of the interested citizens of Victoria on the drug situation now existing in the Province. The meeting will take place in the Centennial Methodist Church to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, when Dr. Clem Davies will occupy the chair, and Mrs. James O'Brien, of Vancouver, will address the meeting.

"For Home and Country" is the motto of the Women's Institutes, and certain is it that never have home and country been in greater peril than at the present time owing to the insidious nature of this menace. It is therefore the patriotic duty of all citizens to unite in a strong movement to save the youth of the Province. It has been stated that there are two thousand drug addicts in Vancouver alone.

The Women's Institutes are indebted to Mr. Davies for the provision of the church in which to hold their meeting, this making it possible for them to organize at such short notice.

## SAANICH BRANCH OF V.O.N. ACTIVE

The ladies of Court Maple Leaf, A.O.F., raised \$225 on Saturday as a result of their home cooking stall held in the late Seabrook Young sale, with the following helpers: Sister Jarvis and Francis, fancy work; Sisters Fenner and Macdowell, post office; Sisters Flett and Ward, touch-and-take; Sisters Mober and Laidler, home cooking; Sisters Green and Davis, plain sewing. The tea arrangements were in the hands of Sisters Mober and Langier, Mrs. Holmes, ticket \$35, won the bride doll; Mrs. Levy, ticket \$38, the table centre, and Sisters Fenner and Butler, the candy with tickets 77 and 84, respectively. The conveners offer sincere thanks to all who help make the affair such a success.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Saanich Victorian Order of Nurses, held at the Municipal Hall, Royal Oak, Mrs. C. A. Lucas reported many praiseworthy activities during the month. She again emphasized the necessity of an extra public health nurse, in addition to the staff already on hand. The various clinics of the district have been very busy for some time past, and an outline of the work accomplished was given. The board and staff gratefully acknowledged the donations from those interested in the welfare of those in Saanich who were unable to take care of themselves.

The following is an outline of the work accomplished through the last month:

Total cases registered, 444.  
 Cases carried from previous months, 408.  
 "Well Baby" Clinics—Number attending, twenty-seven.  
 Twenty-one Dental Clinics—Number attending, 117.  
 Instructional consultations—Thirty.  
 Certificates granted—Addressed—Four.  
 Public meetings attended—Four.  
 A great deal of work also was carried on in the schools, including health talks, examinations, which totaled nearly 1,500, and many other activities for the good of the children. Work also was done amongst the babies of the municipality, and in consultations, social service and general nursing.

## Municipal Chapter Shower To-morrow

The Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., has set apart the day to-morrow for the reception of contributions towards their Christmas hampers. The public is reminded that these hampers are sent to the needy families of returned soldiers, and gifts of all kinds, including foodstuffs, new clothing, smokes, candy, etc., will be gratefully received. Members of the chapter will be in attendance all day to-morrow from 10 o'clock till 5 o'clock for the reception of gifts, at their headquarters, Hamley Building, corner Government and Broughton Streets.

The chapter will also hold its regular meeting there at 2 o'clock to-morrow.



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## AT THE THEATRES

**Brilliant Cohan  
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To-night and Thursday at the Royal Victoria Theatre, George M. Cohan will present the brilliant comedy hit that has proven the most pronounced international success ever staged by an American producer—"So This Is London," with Mr. and Mrs. Cohan in the leading roles, in which these charming and talented artists have scored the greatest popular success of their distinguished careers. In the production of this clever satirical play, Mr. Cohan has again demonstrated his inimitable worth, as a master craftsman of the theatre, in contriving the unique stage methods, and in the adequate presentation of an unusual idea, replete with surprise and sustained suspense, plus the novel in-

## AT THE THEATRES

Royal—"So This Is London."  
Capitol—"Wild Bill Hickok."  
Dominion—"Stephen Steps Out."  
Columbia—"The Man Who Won."  
Playhouse—"Thoughtless Women."

novation of visualising character types both as they are, and as they imagine each other to be. Which of itself is screamingly funny. The story of the play is all about the first trip to London of an American financial genius, who, accompanied by his wife and son, visits the British capital for the purpose of purchasing the plant of a rival business concern; he wishes to be a world factor in his own particular line, and give the British Lion's tail a commercial twist. A cloud appears on the horizon when an American multi-millionaire discovers that his son and heir has fallen in love with an English damsel, the daughter of a very opinionated British Peer. He frets, fumes and threatens. Nevertheless, he finds that his millions have not changed the course of true love. In the end he is defeated and gives his consent reluctantly to the marriage, but finally admits that he is rather glad of it. Having studied the English at close range, he decides that they are "regular guys" after all. The company to be seen in this laughable play includes Lumsden Hare, Jill Willis, Belle D'Arcy, Chester M. Jones, Leo Murray, Fannie Riddle, E. F. Hart and other talented players.

## COMPTON'S FAREWELL

This evening will afford Victorians the last opportunity they will have for some time of hearing that gifted actor, Mr. Francis Compton, when he appears at the Empress Hotel ball-



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**Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Wins in "Stephen Steps Out"**

A real boy in a real story and a real actor in Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., who made a highly successful screen debut at the Dominion Theatre last night in the Paramount picture, "Stephen Steps Out." The photograph, which was exceptionally well suited to the display of young Fairbanks' talents as player, is based on the story, "The Grand Cross of the Crescent," by Richard Harding Davis. It was directed by Joseph Hanberry. Theodore Roberts is featured in an unusually strong role to which he does full justice, and Noah Beery, Harry Myers and Frank Currier, among others, appear in the supporting cast.

## TO CAMPAIGN FOR AMUSEMENT CENTRE

The opening gun in the Citizens' Amusement Centre Committee's campaign of education, previous to the by-laws being placed before the electorate will be fired next week at the quarterly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. Approval of next Wednesday as the date for a luncheon meeting of the quarterly meeting of the Chamber with the Amusement Centre Plans as the main item on the agenda was sought at an emergency meeting of the directors yesterday afternoon, but on T. H. Fletcher pointing out that the stores will be open next Wednesday and busy with Christmas shopping the date was referred back to the Amusement Centre Committee.

Talks will be given on the C.P.R. proposal at the quarterly meeting and at the Service Club luncheon. Major Cuthbert Holmes, chairman of the committee will arrange for speakers, and Mr. Gardom, of the C.P.R., and the architect, J. M. Ratzenburg, will be asked to talk on the plans.

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## DEPARTMENT BACK IN EARLY OFFICES

Indian Department Shows History Moves in Cycles

In occupying the new offices of the Indian Department in the old Post Office Block, which is just now taking place, the Indian administration of British Columbia has come back to where it started in 1874, for it was in rooms upstairs that the late Dr. I. W. Powell established the organization when he was appointed commissioner. The Indian administration was divided into two superintendencies, with Dr. Powell in charge of one, and the other, known as the Fraser agency, with offices at New Westminster, under Dr. James Leitch. This continued until 1878, when the Fraser agency was abolished. In 1881 six agencies were established, under the superintendency of Dr. Powell, as follows:

1. W. H. Lomas, Cowichan.  
2. H. Guillard, West Coast Agency.  
3. P. McTiernan, Lower Fraser.  
4. Henry Cornwall, Kamloops.  
5. G. Blenkinsop, Alert Bay.  
6. A. E. Howse, of Princeton, Okanagan.

**SUB-DIVISIONS**  
In 1884 the Williams Lake agency was created, and W. L. Mason placed in charge. The Kootenay agency was brought into existence in 1884 under R. L. T. Galbraith. Five years later Charles Todd was placed in charge of the newly created Northwest Coast Agency, and in 1889, R. E. Loring, who now lives here in retirement, was appointed to a new agency, the Bulkley.

When Mr. Todd left the department in 1910, the Northwest Coast agency was divided into three, the Nass agency going to C. Perry, the Queen Charlotte Islands to Thomas Deasy, and the Bella Coola to J. Fougner. The Bulkley agency was the next created, under W. Scott Strickland, and W. J. McLean was the first agent for the Stuart Lake area with headquarters at Fort Fraser.

The Lytton agency was next taken over by Mr. Strickland, who was in the Province, was made when the Vancouver agency was separated from New Westminster.

**OFFICES MOVED**  
In 1892 the offices were moved into rented quarters at the corner of Douglas Street and Courtney Street, and this continued for about six years, until the new Post Office was erected, when the Indian Department occupied rooms in the old Customs House, which has housed the officials since that time until this week.

From 1873 to 1878 Dr. Powell was Commissioner, and from 1878 to 1887 acted as superintendent. After his resignation the late A. W. Vowell held office from 1887 to 1890. In 1910 the office of superintendent was abolished, and the Province was divided into three inspectorates.

W. E. Ditchburn was appointed to the southwest agency, which covers the northern and southeastern. When the northern disappeared in 1916, the present system of a chief inspector, assisted by an inspector, was adopted, and thus Mr. Ditchburn became the executive representative of the Department in British Columbia, a position he now holds.

## RED CROSS WORK IS APPRECIATED

Dr. A. O. McRae Warmly Praised For Services in Alberta Field

High commendation for the services of Dr. A. O. McRae, new head of the University School, for his services while leader of the Provincial Division of the Alberta Red Cross Society, was voiced at the annual meeting of that body recently when the following tribute was made: "That this annual meeting of the Alberta division of the Canadian Red Cross Society express to Rev. Dr. A. O. McRae his early thanks for those willing and dependable services and those trusty counsels which were always so freely given by him to this branch of the society and its executive officers during the several years when the activities of the society were so widely sought. Its public duties were arduous and its executive needs were so urgent. "This meeting regrets that Dr. McRae's removal from Alberta will sever his present intimate relationship with the executive work of this Provincial division, but this meeting expresses satisfaction in the feeling that no matter to what parts Dr. McRae's duties will be turned, the work of the Canadian Red Cross Society will continue to enlist from him that most sympathetic support which has proved of so inestimable value to the work of this Provincial division."

## Mining in Olden Days Subject of Lecture Here

An interesting talk on mining centuries ago was given to the Vancouver Island Prospectors' Association last night by W. A. Carville, former provincial mineralogist. He told how Roman miners used to take out ore by heating rock with fire and then pouring on water to break it, and also described the Rio Tinto mine of Spain which has been worked almost since the dawn of civilization. His lecture was illustrated with slides.

## Royal Astronomical Society Elects Officers For Year

Officers were elected as follows at the annual meeting last night of the Victoria section of the Royal Astronomical Society: Honorary president, Dr. J. S. Plaskett, F.R.S.; president, J. Duff; vice-president, F. Green; treasurer, J. P. Hibben; secretary, F. Moore; committee, Messrs. Cameron, Miller, W. H. Christie and Chadwick and Professor Elliot. The retiring president, W. E. Harper, reported on the work accomplished during the year in the field of astronomical science.

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Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, 1/4 and 1/2-inch hems. Originally 60c, 95c and \$1.25. Closing-Out Price, 48c, 72c and \$1.00 each.

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Pure Silk Scarfs in striped effects, soft colorings and extra long. Grey and marigold, navy and henna, nigger and gold, Saxe and canary, grey and purple, light and dark grey and black and white.

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## GIVE LEATHER GOODS—Lasting Gifts

Pouch Shape Leather Bags, covered and metal frames, fitted with mirror and coin purse. Colors include black, brown, navy, light blue, grey and tan. Originally \$3.95. Closing-Out Price, \$2.95.

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Beauty Boxes and Moire Silk Bags, leather Pouch Bags, a collection which includes Mah-Jongg fancy leather and plain effects. Originally \$6.50 to \$7.75. Closing-Out Price, \$5.95.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

The Victoria Amateur Swimming Club will meet to-night at 8:35 for progressive 500 at the home of Mrs. Melville, 125 Clarence Street.

A dance in aid of the Jubilee Hospital Building Fund will be held to-morrow night in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium by the employees of the British-American Paint Company.

Prairie visitors booked to California are staying over in Victoria while the present wonderful weather continues, reports the Publicity Bureau which has had many of the Winter tourists call at the office.

The annual meeting of the Victoria branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada will take place at 8:15 o'clock to-night at room 23, Brown Building, Broad Street. Business will include election of officers for the year 1924.

Claiming special damages in the sum of \$375 and a return of goods said to have been wrongfully retained, William M. Preece opened suit in the County Court to-day before His Honor Judge Lampman, against James A. Hill. T. M. Miller appears for the plaintiff and Gordon Cameron for the defendant. The hearing proceeds.

A very successful card party was held by the Esquimalt Child Hygiene Council on Monday evening. Winners were Mrs. J. Stewart, Mr. Sanders and Mr. Stewart. Mrs. Johnson and Mr. White won the tombola prizes. The affair was convened by Mr. Brooker and the proceeds will go towards the children's Christmas tree.

The regular monthly meeting of the Oaklands Parent-Teacher Association was held on Monday in the Oaklands School. The class-room was crowded, about 100 members and friends being present. Trustees Brown, Beckwith and Litchfield all spoke briefly. After the business meeting the school orchestra and choir gave an excellent programme under the leadership of Mr. Knott and Mr. Green.

Miss Helen Stewart was the speaker on "The Heritage of a Scottish-Canadian" last night at the regular meeting of the Burns Club. Speaking herself as a Scottish-Canadian, Miss Stewart said she knew how much of the old traditions the transplanted race brought to the land of its adoption, and how their sturdy faith and energy overcame the difficulties of life under new conditions and in unbroken lands. An excellent programme of music was provided with songs by Mesdames W. Wilson, W. Wright, and J. Pettie, with Mrs. Jaffray as accompanist.

In a report to the City police to-day Inspector Collis, of the B.C.E.R., complains of the action of a person or persons unknown in throwing a stone through the window of an Outer Wharf—or carrying strike-breakers to the docks. One man was cut in the face as the result of the flying missile. The police are investigating the occurrence which took place at Montreal and Superior Streets yesterday.

Appearing to stand trial for possession of opium without lawful excuse, Kwok Shee, a Chinese woman with a baby in arms, was acquitted in the city police court to-day. Chief Fry gave formal evidence of the finding of several packets of opium in the premises at 529 Fisgard Street. After evidence on both sides Magistrate Jay dismissed the charge.

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## COST OF REVISING B.C. LAWS IS CUT TO SMALL FIGURE

Consolidation of All Statutes Completed at Less Cost Than in Past

Plan to Publish New Law Books Next Fall; Lawyer Members Pleased

Complete revision of British Columbia's statutes, a task which consumed two and a half years, has cost the Province only \$17,300 as against a cost of \$34,000 for the revision of 1897 and \$40,000 for the revision of 1911, Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General, announced to-day when a select committee of the Legislature completed its inspection of the consolidated statutes.

The revision, Mr. Manson explained, was carried out for the most part by A. V. Pineo, Legislative Counsel. If half of Mr. Pineo's salary for that period is charged against the work the cost, Mr. Manson estimates, has been \$17,300. If three-quarters of his salary is charged against the work the cost has been \$20,000.

The revised statutes, Mr. Manson declared, are in splendid condition. Through the deletion of superfluous words in the statutes some fifty pages have been eliminated, he said. Penalty sections have been made uniform and many duplications cut out. Numerous alterations have been made and in some instances sections have been transferred from one act to another.

The consolidated laws probably will be published next fall when the revision will be brought into force by proclamation. The revised statutes probably will take up three volumes.

Mr. Manson stated that he department had under preparation a table of private and local acts of the Province passed from 1872 to 1922. The Attorney-General paid tribute to David Whitehead, J. B. Clearhouse, Joshua Hinchliffe, M. B. Jackson, Ian MacKenzie, members of the select committee which has been working on the revision of statutes this season.

## THEATRES FIGHT FOR EXISTENCE. OLIVER IS TOLD

British Columbia theatre owners, appearing before Premier Oliver and Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, to-day, declared that the theatre business in this Province is fighting for its life and cannot pay the present amusement tax.

The theatre men's delegation renewed the plea for a fifty per cent. cut in the present amusement tax for a year. The present tax, it was asserted, is crippling the theatre business.

Reduction in the tax as proposed would not mean a serious loss of revenue to the Government, the delegation declared.

The Premier assured the delegation that if the Province's financial position warranted it, the Government would be glad to reduce the amusement levy.

## FRIENDLY HELP ASKS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Friendly Help Association, which works so patiently and unostentatiously all the year through to relieve poverty and sickness in Victoria and has for twenty-five previous Christmases dispensed cheer and goodwill, now makes an appeal that in the many demands being made upon a generous and long-suffering public its claims upon them will not be forgotten.

Many of its members and friends have already contributed towards the Christmas hamper, but much more is still required, and those who have not already given are reminded that donations of all kinds are needed and will be very gratefully received. The rooms will be open daily, including Saturdays, until Christmas, from 9:30 to 4 o'clock for the reception of contributions.

## CITY RESERVING SPACES FOR FUTURE PLEASURE GROUNDS

Pursuing the policy of setting aside areas for future playground purposes in the future, the Reverted Lands Committee of the City Council has now several areas of considerable size dedicated to the public. The larger ones are:

The R. J. Porter Park, east of St. James Douglas School, including the area bounded by Woodlands Road, Walton Street, and Fairfield Road. Oaklands Park, bounded by Forbes, Kings Road, and Ryan Street, with some lots north of Ryan Street, giving access to Oaklands School. The square indicated is not wholly in city property, some lots having been sold out of it, and built upon by the Reserve. In and around the Reserve, containing a number of unimproved lots between Tomlin and Topaz Avenues, between Blackwood Avenue and Stevenson Place on the west, and the City boundary on the east.

Foul Bay Reserve, facing the crescent, between Mills and Robertson Streets. Part of the Reserve is being used for the community centre site for Hollywood.

Amateur hockey players are informed that owing to the cancelling of to-night game the Arena will be available for practice to-night.

## REHEARSAL TO-NIGHT

The first rehearsal of the chorus which is to sing Handel's "Messiah" at Centennial Church on Friday, December 28, will be held at the church to-night at 8 o'clock. Volunteers for the chorus who are thoroughly familiar with the score of the Handel oratorio are invited to enroll in the organization. The work will be presented under the direction of Jackson Hanby.

## LOAN BILL STIRS PREMIER TO ANGRY FEUD WITH BOWSER

House Passes Bill For \$2,000,000 For B.C. Development; Hart's Work Lauded

Premier Oliver and Mr. Bowser got into one of their regular argumentative clashes in the Legislature last night when John Hart's bill to borrow \$2,000,000 for general development purposes came up.

Both fired generous volleys of ammunition on financial policies. As the climax of his defence the Premier accused Mr. Bowser of "absolute insincerity in his criticism of the financial policy of this Government."

After the wordsy attack and defence, the Loan Bill was passed second reading by twenty-seven to twelve, all the independent voting with the Government.

Mr. Bowser said he wanted to warn the Government of the "desperate state" at which they have been going since 1917. Since the Government took office, down to the end of 1922, it has borrowed \$52,850,000; he asserted.

"That is an awful record," Mr. Bowser went on. "And now this session the Government is still running loose to form and is borrowing \$2,000,000 more, which brings the total up to \$54,850,000. It is no smiling matter to the taxpayers of this country to be issuing a six per cent bond, as provided for in the bill.

Mr. Hart explained that he was in touch with the market and would test the bond most suitable to the market. He said, however, that he would not issue it on a higher bond than five per cent despite the six per cent allowed in the bill. He said he expected to put the bond out at a discount so that they would be on a yield of about 5.21, the present rate.

Premier Oliver said that Mr. Bowser when he was talking of "the orgy of expenditure" did not tell the House that when he went out of office in 1917 the Conservative Government had a revenue of less than \$6,000,000, and an expenditure of \$10,000,000, leaving a deficit of \$4,000,000.

"This deficit of \$4,000,000 we had to cover when we came to office," the Premier went on. "My friend's policy then was to borrow more money all the time. In 1914 his Government borrowed \$10,000,000. In 1915 he took authority to guarantee bonds to the extent of \$15,000,000 for agricultural loans. Then there was the \$6,000,000 loan to his friend Pat Welch, which he had as security \$2,500,000 of stock of the P.G.E., which only cost what it did to print it. In fact, for \$25,000,000 of this stock there was only \$40,000 put in the treasury."

George S. Hanes—And that \$40,000 was borrowed from the Government, too.

The Premier declared that Mr. Bowser was now promising that if he got into power he would borrow \$12,000,000 for the farmer. He asked whether the borrowing of Mr. Bowser was consistent with his present criticism of the Government. "The policy of the Leader of the Opposition in office was to borrow and not raise taxes," the Premier went on.

Tom Uphill said he didn't know why the vaudeville circuits had overlooked the Premier and Leader of the Opposition.

They are both guilty of calling each other everything there is in the calendar," Mr. Uphill said, "and I believe them both."

Fred Anderson complimented the Hon. John Hart "for the great public work he has done and for putting the sinking funds of the Province on a sound basis."

"We are proud that we have a real Minister of Finance in this Government," Mr. Anderson went on. "He is not given to lowering his own horn, there is great credit coming to him."

## City Reserving Spaces For Future Pleasure Grounds

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It is exactly twenty-two years ago that the Board of Trade appointed a committee to wait upon the then Sir Thomas Shaughnessy with a proposal that his company should construct a hotel here. The first interview was exceedingly interesting, and Sir Thomas referred to his company competing with established interests. He also remarked that it was not much the cost of constructing a suitable hotel as the successful operation of it, and in the light of after events, it being shown that the hotel proposed would be in a class by itself, and indirectly an advantage to those existing, the first impression made upon Sir Thomas, and his friendly disposal towards Victoria, the battle was then practically won.

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## SUPPORT CROWN IN DRUG PROBE

Ministerial Association Approves Attorney-General's Action

The commendation of the Victoria Ministerial Society of the actions of Attorney-General Manson and his counsel, C. L. Harrison, in the drug probe was voiced at a special meeting of that body on Monday evening. The commendation was expressed in the following resolution, which carried with hearty approbation:

"Appalled at the prevalence of the illicit use of narcotic drugs, and horrified at the despicable methods resorted to by those engaged in this nefarious traffic, this Ministerial Association records its appreciation of the efforts of the Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General, and his counsel, C. L. Harrison, city solicitor, to stamp out this traffic, and commends the expressed determination of the Attorney-General to prosecute the most vigorous investigation with the view of discovering those guilty of this crime and subjecting them to such punishment as their infamy demands."

## MRS. M'KICKING WAS FITTINGLY HONORED

Christmas Gift From Members and Friends Marks Esteem For Regent

A gracious little ceremony was enacted at the Victoria Club at the meeting of the Lady Douglas Chapter, I.O.E., when its founder and regent, Mrs. Margaret Leighton McKicking, was presented with a Christmas gift in the form of a purse and a lovely bouquet in token of the chapter's warm regard and recognition of her loyal and untiring services.

Mrs. McKicking's fidelity to her city and Province, her enthusiasm for their history and pride in their progress are well known, and the fine record of the Lady Douglas Chapter in keeping from the traditions of the past and honoring the memory of the early pioneers owes much to her buoyant spirit.

The presentation was made on behalf of the members and several friends, including His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mrs. Dennis Harris, with a charming little speech, and was received by Mrs. McKicking with evident appreciation of the tribute. After her characteristic little speech of thanks a bouquet was presented by Mrs. R. F. Green to Mrs. Dennis Harris.

Following the little ceremony afternoon tea was served, and "Auld Lang Syne" heartily sung by the interested crowd of members and friends who had gathered for the charming incident. Music enhanced the enjoyment of the affair, contributed by Mrs. Jaffray and Miss Thain, those responsible for the excellent arrangements of the celebration being Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. J. S. Plasket.

Among those present were Lady McBride, Miss Croome, Mrs. J. D. Gordon, Mrs. G. G. Bushby, Mrs. Brae, Mrs. J. O. Wilson, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Suddaby and many others.

## Boys of Provincial Industrial School Gave Annual Concert

The boys of the Provincial Industrial School held their annual concert on December 7 in the Agricultural Hall, Port Couillard. The concert was under the auspices of the Elks and given in support of the Port Couillard memorial fund and the Elks Christmas tree.

The concert was a great success, and it was pleasing to note the interest taken in the boys by those who thronged the hall and the skill and individuality displayed by the boys who took part in the performance.

D. B. Brankin, superintendent of the school, made an able chairman, and conducted the boys in their community singing.

Special mention should be made of the boys' band. Most of these boys came to the school with little or no knowledge of music and on the night of the concert there were few boys in the band who had more than eight months' practice behind them.

Exciting and interesting exhibitions showed splendid physical development.

There are two classes of schoolboys in the institution, and each class was responsible for a clever and entertaining sketch. The little fellows ran a laughable mock trial and the bigger boys rendered Tom Sawyer in true boy fashion.

Darke comedians entertained the audience between acts, and also a dashing young man in silk hat and monocle.

The evening ended with a supper for the boys.

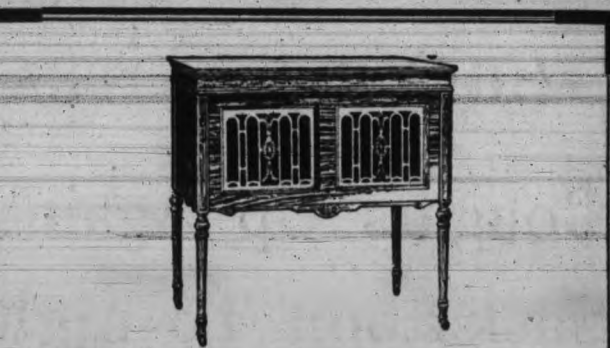
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## Cougars Up Against Saskatoon To-night

Victoria Will Have Hard Game In Crescents' Tiny Rink; Last Year Cougars Won By Only Goal of Game After Very Hard Struggle; Crescents Seek Revenge For Bad Beating They Received Here Two Weeks Ago; Seattle Plays Regina

Lester Patrick will line up his Cougars for their second start against the Crescents in Saskatoon to-night. The Cougars will meet the Crescents in what would prove a terrific tussle. The Crescents have not won a game to date, although they have drawn in two and are keen to win what their manager, "Newsy" Lalonde, terms to be one of the greatest hockey machines of the day—the blue and gold squad from Victoria.

The Cougars are going to find the Crescents one of the toughest nuts to crack they have ever met. The rink in Saskatoon is very small, being commonly referred to as a "box." It is much smaller than the Seattle rink, which is the tiniest in the Coast League. As a result there is not much room for the players to navigate and the club that gets the first goal can usually set up a very stiff defence and win out.

### CRAMPS PLAYERS

In the game last year in Saskatoon between the Cougars and Crescents the former were victorious by one goal to nothing. Frederickson, notching the winning counter. The Cougars said on their return home that this was the hardest game of their tour owing to the cramped ice surface, which made it for them to get into their proper stride.

While the Saskatoon club has proved easy pickings for the other clubs when away from home, they have met few masters on their own pond. In their opening game of the season in Saskatoon the Crescents held the Edmonton Eskimos to a two-all draw after one period of overtime.

There is no doubt but that the Cougars will find the going very hard when they face the Crescents to-night. The Crescents want revenge for the seven-one defeat Victoria handed them seven weeks ago.

The Cougars are anxious to make a clean up on their swing around the prairies. Last year they came within one game of doing it, defeating Regina, Saskatoon and Edmonton, but failing by one goal to bowl over the Calgary Tigers. The win in Edmonton on Monday night has put the Cougars in a fine frame of mind, and they will be battling with the Crescents over every inch of ice to-night.

**SEATTLE PLAYS REGINA**

The Seattle Mets have another fixture with the Regina Capitals slated for to-night. They meet on Winnipeg ice. On Monday night the Mets were nosed out by three-two to Regina but on neutral ice to-night they hope to reverse the count. The Capitals have yet to be defeated in the Western Canada League.

At present the Mets and Cougars are tied for first place in the Coast League and a win for one and a loss for the other to-night will shove one of the clubs into the lead. If both win the standing will remain unchanged.

The Vancouver Maroons will be idle this evening. They have no game slated for to-night but will pull out to-night for Calgary, where they will meet the Tigers on Friday.

The Calgary team returned to their home town this morning after their tour of the coast and this afternoon attended the funeral of their late team-mate, Martin Foley.

Three big league teams are slated for Friday night. Vancouver plays in Calgary, Victoria meets Regina in Regina and Seattle will tackle Saskatoon in Winnipeg.

**Nine Canadians on Oxford Ice Hockey Team; to Make Tour**

London, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press Cable)—The Oxford University ice hockey team consisting of nine Canadians, left yesterday for Antwerp, where they are scheduled to meet the Belgian Olympic hockey team in the first game of their annual six weeks' continental tour.

From Antwerp they go direct to Murren, Switzerland, where they will meet Cambridge in the great intervarsity match on December 22.

From Murren they will proceed to Davos, where they stay for a week, playing local teams as well as the Austrian team from Vienna, after which they will spend the remainder of the vacation at the great Winter sports centre of St. Moritz.

There they will meet the British army team and also a picked team of Swiss players. In all about fourteen games will be played. On their return trip they probably will play a game with the French Olympic team in Paris.

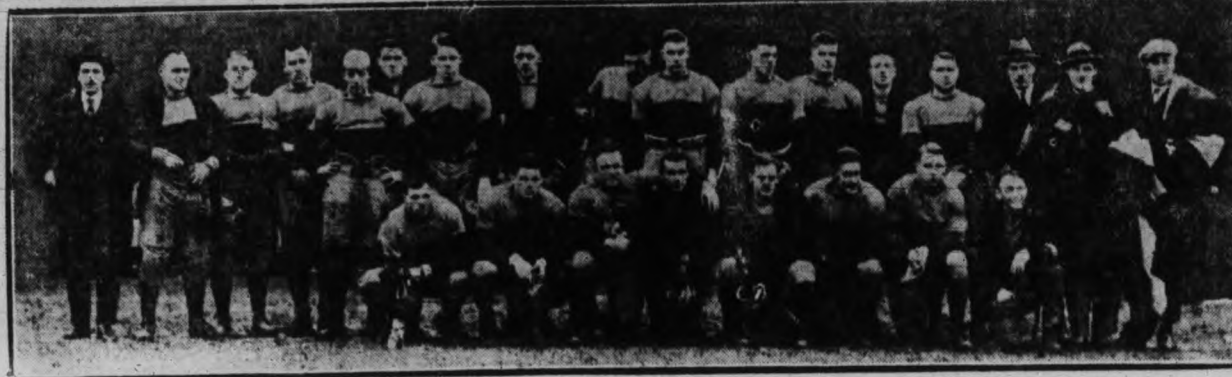
E. B. Pitblado, of Winnipeg, is this year's captain of the team, and will have with him J. C. Farthing and D. M. Johnson, of McGill University, Montreal; R. H. Bonnicastle, of Winnipeg; H. P. Blivet, of Montreal, N.B.; J. B. Dunlop, of Halifax; W. W. Sears, of Fredericton, N.B.; W. H. Brown, of Regina, and another player not yet chosen.

**Seeded Draw is Adopted in G.B.**

London, Dec. 12.—At its annual meeting yesterday the Lawn Tennis Association unanimously adopted the proposal to "seed" the championship draw in the Wimbledon meetings in order to distribute the star players over the various rounds and make the competition more interesting.

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## Queen's Rugby Team Which Won Dominion Title For Second Year in Succession



When Queen's overwhelmed Regina in the final game for the Dominion rugby championship they hung up their second straight victory in the series. Last year they defeated Edmonton in the finals. Victorians are interested in the Queen's team because Art Lewis, of this city, who is studying medicine at Queen's, played snap-back for the champions. Those in the above picture are as follows: Back row, left to right—W. P. Hughes, coach; Dr. W. Campbell, captain; President McLeod, J. Delahay, Harry Batstone, Ken McNeil, Bert Alth, A. Anglin, R. Adams, R. Reynolds, Brown, A. Lewis, "Gib" McKelvey, Groudin, W. Muirhead, C. Mundell, J. L. "Red" McKelvey. Front row—L. Walker, Bud Thomas, J. Evans, Baldwin, J. Bond, "Pep" Leadley, Carl Quinn and W. Hughes, trainer.

### GOES UP AGAIN



PAUL STRAND

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, last night purchased Paul Strand, of the Salt Lake club, who for two years has been the hitting sensation of the Pacific Coast League. He led the league in home runs hitting last season for Strand was \$35,000 and three players or \$50,000 without the players. The three men under consideration in this deal are pitcher Harry Harris, outfielder Mathews and pitcher French, a former army football star.

Paul Strand had one chance in the major leagues, but it was as a pitcher and he drifted back to the minors. He played with Spokane in the old Northwestern League and was a regular visitor to Victoria. In the days of the Pacific International League, formed after the war, Paul played with the Yakima team led by Tealey Raymond. When that circuit broke up Paul went to Seattle and later to Salt Lake City, where he has made a big name for himself.

### Ice Carnival Off

Owing to the lack of entries for the skating events which were scheduled for last evening the Arena, it has been decided by the executive of the Amateur Hockey League to call off the sports carnival. If possible, the races will be staged in conjunction with the amateur hockey games in the near future.

## Central Girls and Christ Church Will Meet in Hoop Game

The B.C. Telephone girls, who made a fine start last week in the Ladies' City League, will meet the Christ Church senior girls to-night in a speedy game at the Trades Hall on Broad Street. The "Belle" girls have gathered together a strong team this season, including Sarah McGill and Cathie Robertson. Christ Church girls also have a squad of very capable players, among their number being Florrie Gates, Grace Wellburn and Kathy Wellburn. The meeting of these two teams should provide a very fast exhibition of girls' basketball.

St. Andrew's intermediate "A" team, consisting of Mary Squibb, Henry Eatin, Chas. Pillar, Red Wood, Leo Smith and Doug Muir, will meet the Adanacs, who are traveling at a fast pace at present, winning their last two games.

The programme to-night is as follows: 7.30 p.m., senior girls—B.C. Telephone vs. Christ Church; 8.10 p.m., intermediate "B" boys—St. Andrew's vs. Metropolitans; 9 p.m., intermediate "A"—St. Andrew's vs. Adanacs.

### HART GIVEN VERDICT

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—Alex Hart, of Clifton Heights, Pa., won the judges' decision last night in his ten-round bout with Freddy Jacks, of England.

## Wards Intend To Turn Fine Team After Wests

Tail-enders to Make Their First Real Effort in Football on Saturday When They Oppose Unbeaten Wests; Veterans Will Play Moose and Navy and Esquimalt Have an Argument to Settle

Once again the famous rivals of a few years ago will meet upon the football field. According to the draw made at last night's meeting of the Victoria and District Football League the Wests, undefeated leaders of the First Division, will meet the North Wards, "victor-less" tail-enders, at Beacon Hill Park on Saturday.

The leaders of Wards announced this morning that they were going to give the Wests a hard battle and would have a full team on the field for the first time this season. The Wards have been trying to get eleven good men out each week but one or two of them have lost their way to the playing field each trip and the team has had to get along short-handed with the result that they have never won a game.

### CHANGE IN THINGS

But this week things are to be different according to the Wards. They are grooming a team for the Jackson Cup series, and will make their first strong bid for fame in the First Division on Saturday. They have signed several new men, and the greenhorns will have to be at top strength. The Wests will have their skipper, Sid Sherratt, back in the game after his month's enforced idleness.

The Veterans and Moose will meet in another First Division game in which the outcome is hard to forecast. The Veterans are now in second place, and with their team at full strength play a very sound game. The Moose, although known as the "babies" of the division, are capable of playing some good football, and have lowered the colors of several good teams this year.

### NAVY MEET ESQUIMALT

The third game in the First Division on Saturday will be between the Navy and Esquimalt. This should be another keen tussle as the Navy has been coming along well of late. Esquimalt is making a spirited bid in the race, and is now in third place. A win for them on Saturday and a regular visitor to Victoria. In the days of the Pacific International League, formed after the war, Paul played with the Yakima team led by Tealey Raymond. When that circuit broke up Paul went to Seattle and later to Salt Lake City, where he has made a big name for himself.

The two Junior Division games have been arranged for Saturday. The drangle is as follows: First Division—Victoria Wests vs. North Wards at Beacon Hill; Navy vs. Esquimalt at the Canteen grounds.

Veterans vs. Moose at the Royal Athletic Park; Sons of England a bye.

Junior Division—Saanich Thistles vs. Victoria Wests at Beacon Hill; Oaklands vs. High School at Central Park.

"Scotty" Dowds, secretary of the Victoria and District League, has tendered his resignation, and a meeting will be held within a few days to elect his successor. "Scotty" has signed to play football with the North Wards, and will turn out with them on Saturday.

Jack Youson, of the Wests, and W. W. Mack, of the Veterans, have been delegated to the conference to be held with the Wednesday League representatives under the chairmanship of Alex Robertson, president of the B.C.F.A. The meeting will consider the scheme for the centralizing of control in football in Victoria. The Wednesday League will appoint its delegates at a meeting to be held tomorrow evening.

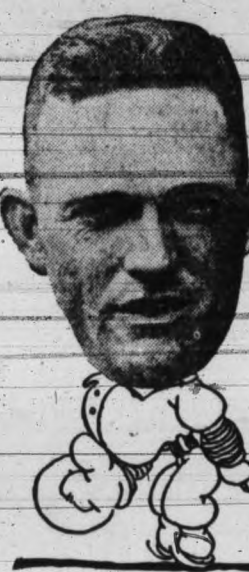
Two games of interest to all basketball followers will be played Saturday evening at the "Y" gymnasium when the Shawinigan Lake and Otter Point teams will compete against the young men's division and the younger business men.

This is the first invasion of outside teams to the city this year and should therefore appeal to the fans.

The two local teams made the trip to Shawinigan a few weeks ago and were successful in winning both games. The Otter Point team was without the services of its star centre, Art Boyd, of Presbyterian fame, and is confident it can turn the tables on the "Y" bunch.

Reserved seats are on sale at the "Y" all this week.

### HE'S WORTH A LOT



ROGERS HORNSBY

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, announced to the press assembled at the major league meetings yesterday that he had offered \$275,000 for the services of Rogers Hornsby, star infielder of the St. Louis Cardinals and that his proposition had been turned down by the Cardinals owners.

The price in question was the largest ever quoted on the services of a ball player, the Yanks having paid slightly more than half as much when they obtained Babe Ruth from the Boston Red Sox.

"No money can tempt me as far as Hornsby is concerned," said Sam Hornsby, president of the Cardinals, in confirming Robinson's statement.

"Any time we let Rogers get away they will have to give us players and plenty of good ones at that. As far as I am concerned, Hornsby belongs to St. Louis and will continue with us indefinitely."

**WILL KEEP COLLINS**

Replying to the numerous reports to the effect that he stood ready to trade Eddie Collins to another American League team, Frank Chance, White Sox manager, declared to-day that he never entertained any serious idea of disposing of his star infielder.

"I consider it unfair to Collins to have his name bandied about in all sorts of trade rumors," Chance said. "He has not been placed on the market by me. I wish to make that point very clear."

Miller Huggins, manager of the world's champion Yankees, made another attempt to gain possession of Eddie May, left hander of the Vernon Club of the Pacific Coast League, and again declined to meet Vernon's terms. It was said that coast league magnates held out for a price of \$35,000 and five players, and Huggins abandoned all negotiations.

The American League club owners in their resolution approved the fears and impartial decisions rendered by the commissioner and his uncompromising determination to preserve the highest traditions of the game.

The American League, while failing to adopt resolutions either approving or condemning Commissioner Landis' administration, gave no indication of belligerency.

The club owners decided to give personal recognition to "Babe" Ruth, of the Yankees, and George Sisler, of the Browns, for their achievements as individual stars in 1922 and 1923. In addition to having their names inscribed on the \$100,000 monument to be erected by the league in Potomac Park in Washington, Ruth and Sisler will be given medals of honor and also will be presented with a miniature of the monument.

**\$7,500 For a Dog**

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Jacob French has just purchased McTier, pointer extraordinary, for \$7,500, which is said to be just his weight in commercial gold. McTier, now thirty months old, formerly belonged to Scott Hudson, of the Atlanta Athletic Club. He bought the dog when he was eighteen months old for \$150.

**MEYERS RETAINS TITLE**

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Johnny Meyers, world's middleweight wrestling champion, retained his title here last night when he defeated Chris Jordan, Greek middleweight champion, throwing Jordan with a stopper hold after one hour 15 minutes and 27 seconds. Jordan was unable to continue.

## Local Rep. Ruggers To Get Down To Work

Coaches to Take Back Division and Forwards in Hand and Instruct Them For Coming McKechnie Cup Games; First Practice is Called For To-morrow Night and All Players Are Asked to Turn Out; Games Arranged For Saturday

Every man jack who thinks he has the ability to wear a red jersey, which goes to the player who catches a place on the Victoria rep rugby team, is advised to turn out to a practice to be held at the Willows Horse Show building to-morrow night at 8 o'clock.

The players are to be put through a stiff training period. They will be given some pointers on how to make plays by men who know how and then will be turned loose to execute these plays.

H. Butterworth, of the Boys' Central School, will take the back division in charge and tip them off to the tricks of the trade, and F. Parsons, of the Navy, will school the forwards. Both men have had much experience in these departments of the game and will be able to give some good advice.

## Epimard and Zev To Match Strides In Special Race

Famous French Three-Year-Old Will Race Against Best Horse in U.S.

New York, Dec. 12.—A match race or series of races between Epimard, the French champion three-year-old, and Zev, the American champion, to be run next summer or early in the fall, is virtually assured as the result of a conference yesterday between Pierre Wertheimer, owner of Epimard, and Harry R. Sinclair, owner of Zev, and Major August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey Club.

Whether the race or races will be run in this country or in France was not decided and will not be, it was stated, until American and French public opinion has been sounded.

"I found Mr. Sinclair as desirous as I for a meeting between our thoroughbreds," stated the Frenchman. "Although no contracts were involved and the place and details of the match remain indefinite, I can say with reasonable certainty that the two great horses will meet before next October."

**TO ARRANGE DETAILS**

"Mr. Sinclair, who departed last night for Denver, agreed to lease Zev's case in the hands of Mr. Belmont, and there is plenty of time between now and the 1924 racing season to make the necessary arrangements for the competition."

It is thought possible that in the event of a race being arranged in this country the international challenge cup won by Zev last fall in his memorable match with Papyrus, English Derby winner, will be offered for a Zev-Epimard match.

**McCarthy Loses Fight to Remain Head of League**

National Association Recognizes Williams as Coast League Prexy

Chicago, Dec. 12.—After two days of argument the board of arbitration of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues voted to recognize Harry A. Williams, a former Los Angeles sports writer, as the legally elected president of the Pacific Coast League.

Williams supplants William H. McCarthy, of San Francisco, who charged that the National Association was illegal on the ground that the Seattle club, which voted for Williams, was financed by syndicate baseball. McCarthy declared that William Wrigley Jr., owner of the Los Angeles club and principal owner of the Chicago Cubs, financed the purchase of the Seattle club, and that McCarthy, Wrigley and Charles L. Lockhart, president. Both are part owners.

**OFFICIALS CENSURED**

The board of arbitration, in its decision, censured Wrigley, Killefer and Lockhart for the manner in which all three acted in connection with a note that was given Wrigley when the Seattle club was purchased. John J. Sullivan, an attorney and one of the principal stockholders in the club, was declared not guilty of any improper conduct in connection with the deal. The board also decided that J. C. McGraw was entitled to vote as the Pacific Coast League representative in the national association meeting.

President Williams announced last night that he would attempt to bring the three club owners opposing him into a meeting with the five which elected him in an endeavor to restore harmony in the league. He said he personally favored restoring a modified draft agreement and would urge his club owners to give consideration to the draft.

**JACK DIDN'T OWN DOG**

Great Falls, Mont., Dec. 12.—A jury here yesterday returned a verdict in favor of Jack Dempsey and his manager in the trial of a suit for \$10,000 brought against the champion by Alex. Gearns in behalf of his twelve-year-old daughter. The child was bitten by a dog at Dempsey's training quarters here June 10. The champion denied ownership of the dog.

**OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL**

London, Dec. 12 (Canadian Press Cable)—Owing to their grounds being closed in consequence of the misconduct of the spectators at its match with Chesterfield, Walsall applied to the Wolverhampton club for the use of its grounds for Saturday's tie-up game against Aberdeen. The football association, however, ordered that the game must be played at Aberdeen.

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Vinolia Shaving Cream, value 35c, for **.27c**  
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Christmas Perfumes, value \$1.75, for **\$1.25**  
Toilet Water, value \$1.25, for **.85c**  
Santal de Cologne, value 75c, for **.63c**  
Talcums, in glass jars, value 50c, for **.35c**  
Perfume, in fancy dropper bottles, value \$1.50 per ounce for **\$1.00** —Main Floor

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A generous bottle of Lilac, Rose or Violet Perfume in pretty holly box. Special **29c**. Not more than two to a customer. No Phone or Mail Orders. Please. —Main Floor

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Fancy Garters  
Of ribbon, in pink, blue, cerise and black, blue and maize, etc.; also in Oriental designs. Per pair **\$1.00, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50**  
Shoe Ties  
Gilded and laced with ribbons, shown in all the dainty shades. Per pair, **\$5c** and **\$1.00**  
Fancy Powder Puffs, Lavender Bags, Corsage Bouquets and Rose Bud Lingerie Clasp  
In all dainty shades. Prices, **10c, 25c, 75c, \$1.75** and **\$2.50**

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Practical size, good design. Each **65c**  
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Of black satin, complete when embroidered. Each **\$1.25**  
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With wide hem tops and double heels and toes, with open work clocks, in black only; sizes 8 1/4 to 10. Per pair **\$4.50**

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With wool heel and toe, wide hem tops, in colors of pearl grey, black, mode, beige, teal, etc.; sizes 8 1/4 to 10. Per pair **\$1.75** —Main Floor



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Silk Lined Mocha Gloves  
With one dome fastener, self points and outside sewn seams, in light grey and tan; sizes 6 1/4 to 7 1/4. Per pair **\$2.25**

Mocha Gloves  
With one dome fastener, plique sewn seams and black embroidered points, in dark grey, beige and mode; sizes 6 to 7 1/4. Pair **\$2.00**

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Suitable for children's garters, etc.; in mauve, sky, pink, rose, maize and white. Per yard **15c** —Main Floor

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Complete with mirror, brush, etc. Per set, **\$1.50** to **\$3.50** —Lower Main Floor

### Morning Special Thursday 9 to 11.30 BLACK PAILLETTE SILK

Two hundred yards only; a splendid Swiss make, suitable weight for dresses and blouses; 35 inches wide; value **\$1.75**. Special **98c** per yard. Limit of 10 yards to a customer. No Phone or Mail Orders. —Main Floor

### 15c Toys

BUY THEM NOW FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE

All our Toys are of the better grade, yet one can find a wide range of inexpensive lines. Included are Parcheesi, Ludo, Holiva, Aeroplane race, Holpa, Wood Picture Blocks, Picture Books, Sewing Boxes, Sets of Cube Blocks, Toy Dishes, Christmas Tree Decorations, Magnetic Fish Pond, Rolly Polly Toys, Eskimo Dolls, etc. Your choice. **15c**  
100 Hesta Games, Telegraph Motor, Lorry, Foot Balls, etc. **15c** values to 50c. Special **15c** —Lower Main Floor



### Santa Claus

At home to the children any Morning from 10 to 12 and any Afternoon from 3 to 5. Come and visit him at his igloo in Toytown on the Lower Main Floor.



### Morning Special Thursday 9 to 11.30 100 PAIRS OF WOMEN'S MOCCASIN SLIPPERS

Real Indian made Hair Seal Moccasin Slippers in sizes 3 to 5 only; all in holly gift boxes. Thursday Morning, 9 to 11.30, per pair **\$1.98**. No Phone or Mail Orders. Please. —Second Floor



### Fur Neckpieces

Including—Chokers, Scarves, Ties and Stoles in opossum, bear goat, marmot, beaverine, badger, sable, opossum, mole, etc.; regular values to \$16.50. Thursday Special **\$7.20** —Second Floor

### Christmas Groceries

California No. 1 Budded Walnuts, per pound **.45c**  
Best Quality Manchurian Walnuts, per pound **.15c**  
Fine Quality New Tarragon Almonds, per pound **.20c**  
Fine New Sicily Filberts, per pound **.20c**  
Large Washed Brazil, pound **.25c**  
Fine New Pecan Nuts, pound **.45c**  
New Season's Pinenuts, pound **.35c**  
Freshly Roasted Peanuts, per pound **.15c**  
Choice Italian Chestnuts, per pound **.35c**

### CHOICE MIXED NUTS

Comprising equal quantities of choice new season's walnuts, Tarragon almonds, Sicily filberts, Brazil and roasted peanuts. Per pound **.20c**

New California Navel Oranges, sweet and delicious, full of juice. Jumbo size, per dozen **.60c**

25 for **\$1.20**

100 for **\$4.75**

Family size, per dozen **.50c**

25 for **\$1.00**

100 for **\$3.05**

Party size, per dozen **.35c**

25 for **.70c**

100 for **\$2.75**

Children's size, per dozen **.20c**

25 for **.40c**

Fine Ripe Juicy Japanese Oranges, sizes 55 and 70, per box **.65c**

GRAPE FRUIT HEARTS IN TINS

Grape Fruit Hearts will be found to be most delicious, economical and convenient. No waste and no preparation required. One tin sufficient for four or five people. Per tin **.40c**

### ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREES NOW

We have arranged for delivery of Christmas Trees within the city limits on any date up to Christmas. To prevent disappointment we would, however, suggest early ordering. Delivery can be delayed to suit your convenience; sizes approximately. Two sizes, **\$1.00** and **\$1.25**

### Morning Special Thursday 9 to 11.30 KINDERGARTEN TABLE AND CHAIRS

Fifty Only of these sets, slightly scratched but hardly noticeable; set consists of table and two chairs; value **\$3.95**. Special **\$3.00**. No Phone or Mail Orders. Please. —Lower Main Floor



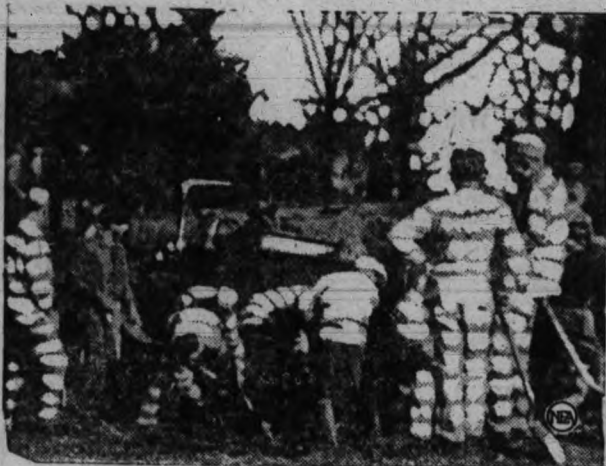
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**THINGS AREN'T AS BAD AS THEY SEEM.**—This jolly bunch of students of the Michigan Agricultural College painted convict stripes on their pyjamas and turned out to excavate the foundations for a new union building on the campus. More than 5,000 participated in the event. The men did the digging and the co-eds served them coffee and sandwiches from wagons.



**FOR THEM!**—No wonder millions of Christmas seals are sold every year. The sale is conducted by the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliated organizations. This shows the good use to which the money is put. Two tots are receiving the "sun cure."



**STUDY CONDITIONS.**—The "eyes and ears" of 1,500,000 American farmers' families visited Germany to study conditions. The committee is shown coming from Ambassador Houghton's office. Houghton is in centre with white flower. The woman is Mrs. Fritz Kreisler, wife of the violinist, now in Berlin aiding sufferers. The man in front is Gray Silver, head of the committee.



**NOTED.**—Dr. C. Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Movement, arrived in this country recently in the interest of his organization.



**TADEO SUGANUMA**, twenty-year-old Japanese lad, won the recent international junior baki-line billiard championship at Detroit. He is a pupil of Willie Hoppe.



**AT THE STROKE OF NOON.**—When noon came on December 3, members of United States Congress reconvened. The Senate adjourned after forty-five minutes, in respect to the memory of deceased members, but the House (above) became involved in a fight for the speakership. The above photo was taken at the opening minute when a prayer was being said.

## SCHOOL DAYS

By DWIG



**MONEY TO BURN.**—German housewives have money to burn. Marks are so worthless, the women use them to light kitchen fires. Several million marks are being used by this woman to get breakfast hot.



**GENE'S FIANCEE?**—Pauline Garon, charming movie actress, is reported engaged to Gene Sarazen, professional golf champion. Neither she nor Gene, however, will comment on the rumors. But ah—in Hollywood they say Sarazen is giving her daily lessons on the links.

## PICTORIAL HIGH LIGHTS IN BRITISH ELECTIONS



**A. BOYD-CARPENTER**, parliamentary and financial secretary of the admiralty, who was defeated in North Bradford by his Liberal opponent.



**BRITISH WOMEN HAVE BETTER LUCK THAN IN LAST ELECTION.**—Election results announce the success of the four above women candidates of whom two are titled ladies and the other two belong to the Labor party. Left to right: Lady Terrington, Liberal, who represents the Wycombe division of Buckinghamshire; Duchess of Atholl, Conservative, of Ross and Cromarty; Miss Margaret Bonfield, president of the Trades Union Congress, who defeated C. A. McCurdy, chief Liberal whip, in Northampton; and Miss Susan Lawrence, a former member of the London County Council, who defeated her Conservative opponent in East Hampton.



**EDWARD SCRYMGEOUR**, prohibitionist, who has been re-elected in Dundee by a plurality of 2,719 over E. D. Morel, Labor, who also in the two-seated riding, in the last general election polled 12,112 votes ahead of Winston Churchill, who ran fourth in the riding.



**MRS. WINTRINGHAM**, Liberal woman, re-elected for South Lincoln.



**RT. HON. C. F. G. MASTERMAN**, Liberal chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in the Asquith Cabinet, returns to Westminster after an absence of nine years. He defeated his Conservative opponent by a majority of 2,025.



**COL. J. C. WEDGEWOOD**, D.S.O., prominent Labor member and a former Liberal, who has been re-elected in Newcastle-under-Lyme by a slightly increased majority. He visited Canada last year.



**MINISTER DEFEATED.**—Sir Montague Barlow, Minister of Labor, defeated by J. Toole, Laborite, by 2,701 majority. Sir Montague was elected by acclamation in 1922, and had a majority of 10,358 in 1918.



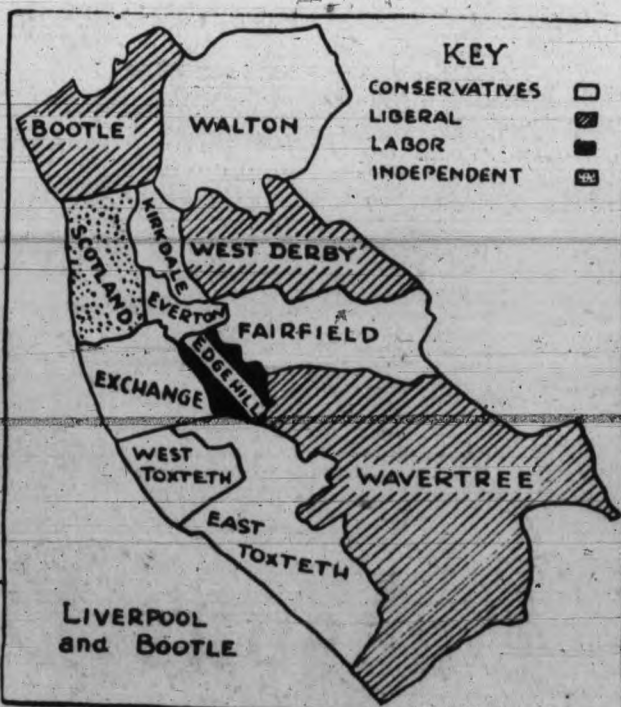
**RT. HON. T. J. MACNAMARA**, Liberal, who was Minister of Labor, 1920-2, was re-elected in Northwest Camberwell, by a majority of eighty. He had a majority of 3,157 in 1922.



**A. W. HAYCOCK**, elected as Laborite in Salford West after unsuccessfully contesting Winchester last year. He is a son of Joseph Haycock, of Adolphustown, Ontario, former leader of the patrons of industry in the Ontario legislature, a group which flourished in the days of Sir Oliver Mowat and Sir George Ross.



**COL. W. GRANT MORDEN**, Canadian financier, who has been re-elected as Conservative candidate in Brentford and Chiswick in a three-cornered contest against Mrs. Oliver Strachey, Independent, and William Haywood, Labor.



**WHERE LIBERALS GAINED TWO.**—In 1922 Liverpool returned nine Conservatives, one Laborite, and one Nationalist while Bootle was Liberal. Results of this election are shown on the above map.



**WHERE CONSERVATIVES LOST EIGHT SEATS.**—In the 1922 election, seven Conservatives were elected in Manchester and three Laborites, while Salford returned two Conservatives and one Laborite. Take a look at it now, with but one white spot.







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All the boys and girls are invited to come and have a ride.

—Toyland, Lower Main Floor

# One Hundred Gift Shops Under One Roof

### Buy Merchandise Scrip It Will Solve Your Difficult Gift Problems

Merchandise Scrip now on sale at the Exchange Counter or Glove Department will be accepted as cash at any of our stores. Therefore if you cannot decide on a gift, send your friend Scrip.

Merchandise Assembled from Every Land Under the Sun to Supply Christmastide Needs of Thousands of People



## English Jumpers For Women

### A New Christmas Shipment

Jumpers of silk and wool in long, overblouse style, with three-quarter sleeves and V neck; trimmed with crochet edging around neck and sleeves, and cord and tassel at waist. Each ..... \$3.95

Dainty Silk Jumpers, with round necks and long sleeves, finished with crochet edging, silk cord and tassel at waist. These are offered in two-tone effects, including mauve and white, navy and grey, turquoise and silver, fawn and brown, black and white, Oriental and tan. At ..... \$5.50

Jumpers in a close, fancy weave, in cross weave effect, with V neck, three-quarter sleeves and extra wide band at bottom, giving a much desired long line effect. They are scalloped around edge, sleeves and bottom, and shown in shades of black, navy, Oriental, fawn and olive. Each ..... \$8.95

Long Straight Style Jumpers, in heavy imitation crochet work. They have round necks, three-quarter sleeves, and finished at waist with silk cord and medallions. Gold, white, black, Oriental, nigger and olive. Each ..... \$11.95

—Blouses, First Floor

## FUR SCARVES

### Gifts Without a Superior Traveler's Samples Marked to Clear

Fur Scarves, of black goat, with head and brush. They are silk lined and great value at ..... \$8.75

Scarves of grey hare, Killinsky, black kid, beaver, coney. Straight styles with head and brush. They are silk lined and big value at ..... \$10.75

Large Scarves of brown goat fur, with head and brush attached. Silk lined and great value at ..... \$12.75

Straight Scarves, trimmed with fringe or fur buttons, or with head and brush. Grey hare, seal coney, brown Russian hare. Every scarf silk lined and priced to clear at \$15.00 and ..... \$19.75

—Mantles, First Floor

## Gift Hosiery for Women and Children

Women's Fine Thread Pure Silk Hosiery, with mercerized hile tops and deep hem, double soles, heels and toes; brown, black, white, suede, pink, laurel, gold, Saxe blue, purple and orchid. A pair at ..... \$2.50

Women's Shear Finished Hosiery, with hile garter hem, seamless feet and black seam; black, white, camel, sand, medium, grey, brown and polo. A pair ..... 98c

Outside Cashmere Hosiery, seamless throughout, with extra large leg. Black only; 9, 9½ and 10. A pair ..... \$1.00

Fine Mercerized Lisle Hosiery, of medium weight and seamless, wide elastic tops. Black and brown, and white. A pair ..... 85c

Dropstitch Silk Hosiery, with hemmed tops and double heels and toes. A pair ..... 98c

Fancy Silk Hosiery, with satin stripe, hemmed tops and reinforced foot. Black, white and cordovan and French grey. At ..... \$3.00

Women's Silk and Wool Hosiery, in superior grade; clocked, and with double hem top and reinforced foot ..... \$2.50

Women's Full-fashioned Pure Silk Kayser Hosiery, with wide hem tops, in all the wanted shades. Sizes 9½ and 10 ..... \$2.50

Pure Thread Silk Hosiery, with self-colored clocks, double hem garter top and reinforced foot; black, brown, sand and camel. A pair ..... \$1.95

Fine Quality Silk Hosiery, with ribbed tops and seamless. In shades of black, white, nude, cordovan, camel, navy, beige, dove and pearl grey. Fr. \$2.00

Women's Pure Thread Silk Hosiery, with hem garter top and reinforced foot. All desirable shades ..... \$1.50

Boys' 1 and 1 Rib Cotton Hosiery, will wear well; they have reinforced heels and toes and are offered in sizes 6 to 7½ at ..... 50c

8 to 11, a pair ..... 60c



Girls' Fine 1 and 1 Rib Three-quarter Length Hosiery, all wool; green, Lovat and camel heather mixtures; with turn down tops and reinforced heel and toes. Seamless, a pair ..... 59c

Children's Three-quarter Length Silk and Wool Hosiery, plain knit with fancy ribbed tops and double spliced heels and toes; black, cadet, sand and white. A pair ..... 88c

—Hosiery, Main Floor

## Slippers and Gaiters

### Gifts for Children

Children's Felt Strap Slippers, with soft leather soles; many colors to choose from and ample stocks of sizes, from infants' 4 to misses' 2. At ..... \$1.00

Children's Superior Quality Felt Slippers, with welted chrome leather soles, dainty and durable; fawn, wine and Alice blue. All sizes ..... \$1.35

Children's Felt High Cut Cavalier Slippers, with soft leather soles. Alice blue and red; sizes 4 to 10. At ..... \$1.35

Children's Blanket Cloth Over-gaiters, made to buckle over the knee; camel, beaver and grey ..... \$2.00

Children's Brown Leather Over-gaiters, to buckle over the knee ..... \$3.00

—First Floor

## Women's Scarves and Wraps

### Popular Gifts

New English Icewool Scarves in plain shades with contrasting borders. Twelve different colors to select from ..... \$3.75

Heavy Icewool Wraps, in many colors. Very special values at ..... \$5.75

Brushed Wool Motor Wraps, inexpensive but very popular, 98c, \$2.50, \$3.95 and ..... \$4.95

—Main Floor

## In the Silk Department Many Opportunities For Acceptable Gifts



A Dress Length or Waist Length of Silk will always prove highly acceptable. Just glance over the following list and select a gift or quality.

A Waist Length of Crepe de Chine, of excellent grade and in popular shades. For ..... \$2.95

A Dress Length of Heavy Silk Georgette, in many evening shades, for \$5.95

Wash Satin, that may be made up into most dainty camisoles for Christmas presentation. A yd. \$1.98

A Dress Length of Duchesse Satin, will make a gift that is hard to excel. Shown in all colors, including black. At ..... \$5.95

40-inch Hand-embroidered Crepe de Chine, in mauve, daffodil, yellow, sky and pink ..... \$8.75

—Silk, Main Floor

## Beautiful Italian Silk Shawls

### Distinctive Gifts

In these Italian Silk Shawls you are offered gifts of wondrous beauty and superior quality. They are in all the popular shades and finished with a deep silk fringe. Exceptional values at \$11.75 \$18.75, \$24.75 \$35.00

—Main Floor

## Children's Toques, Capes and Scarves—Dainty Gifts

Children's White and Colored Knitted Toques, finished with pom-pom on top; camel and white, for the ages of 4 to 10 years. 85c to ..... \$1.00

Children's All-wool Knitted Capes, white or blue, trimmed with white; pink trimmed with white, and finished with collar, cord and tassel. For the ages of 5 to 8 ..... \$3.50

Children's Scarves, camel, brown and white; finished with fringe and suitable for the ages of 6 to 12. \$1.00, \$1.95

—First Floor

## Women's Gift Slippers

### Many Styles



Women's Boudoir Slippers, with soft leather soles and rubber heels. All colors, in suede and kid. A pair at \$1.50 and ..... \$1.35

Women's Felt Juliet Slippers, with leather soles and heels. At ..... \$1.95

Women's Felt Cosy Slippers, with soft leather soles. All colors and sizes. A pair at ..... \$1.00

Women's English Wool Slippers, superior grade, plain camel hair or plaid patterns. All sizes ..... \$1.95

—First Floor

## Dainty Corset Covers

### Each, \$1.50

Crepe de Chine and Lace Corset Covers, in pretty styles. All ready for the ribbon and straps. They are shown in white, pink, maize, sky and Nile. Special value at each ..... \$1.50

—Main Floor

## Corset Cover and Nightgown Tops

### 98c Each

New Lace and Embroidery Corset Cover and Nightdress Tops, all ready to sew on. They are pretty and of excellent grade. Each 98c

—Main Floor

## Marabou and Feather Ruffles

### EXCEPTIONAL VALUES

These neat and excellent grade Ruffles are offered in taupe, brown and black, and are offered at \$2.75, \$3.75 \$5.75, \$8.75 and up to ..... \$35.00

A fine selection—see them.

—Main Floor

## New Hand-Knitted Shetland Wraps

### \$4.75

These Are Cosy Wraps knitted from a fine Shetland. Made in shades of white, fawn grey, black and other popular colors. One would make a handsome gift for a lady, young or old, each ..... \$4.75

—Main Floor

## CHILDREN'S SWEATERS

### Appropriate for Christmas Gifts

Children's Pullover Sweaters, in fawn, green, mauve, blue and pink, trimmed with contrasting stripes. They are in fine weave, some with V neck, others with turn-down collar. Sizes for 4, 6 and 8 years ..... \$1.95

All-wool Sweaters, in coat style, with brushed wool collars and finished with belt and pockets; for the ages of 2, 3 and 4 years. Fawn and Saxe ..... \$2.75

Larger sizes for the ages of 5, 6 and 8, at ..... \$3.75



Children's Jerseys, with polo collar, fastened in front with three buttons and shown in shades of Saxe and putty, navy and red, white and Saxe, putty and Saxe, green and brown, brown and Saxe. Sizes for 2 to 8 years. Golden Values at ..... \$1.49

Children's Brushed Wool Sweaters, suitable for school wear. For the ages of 2 to 6 years ..... \$2.75

For the ages of 8 to 12 years ..... \$3.75

The Sweaters are shown in shades of fawn and Saxe.

—Children's, First Floor

## Gift Features in the Corset Department

English C.B. Corsets, back lace models for the tall figure. They are made of heavy white broche, with elastic top, extra long skirt, free hip and four hose supporters. \$4.75

Medium Low Bust Corsets, of fancy white broche, back lace, embroidery trimmed top, and four hose supporters. For the short figure ..... \$4.50

Bandeau Brassieres, of white cotton, with hemstitched top and boned through diaphragm, and extra long through front and elastic inset at sides. Sizes 34 to 40. At ..... \$1.00

—Corsets, First Floor

## Burnt Leather Goods

### Ideal Christmas Gifts

Book Covers, each \$1.10 and \$1.25

Tie Racks, each \$1.35

Needle Books, each 25c

Bags, each 30c, 40c, 60c and 70c

Pouches, each 65c, 75c, 90c and \$1.00

Collar Boxes, each at \$1.50

Photo Frames, each 70c, 80c and \$1.00

Glove Cases, at \$1.00, \$1.15, \$1.25 and \$1.45

Handkerchief Cases, at \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.15 and \$1.30

Pipe Cases, each 40c, 50c and \$1.00

Match Holders, each 35c and 75c

Phone Pads, each 40c

Shaving Pads, each 30c, 40c and 50c

Gun and Case, each 75c

Scissor Holders, each 30c, 40c and 50c

Whisk Holders, each 80c and 90c

Papoose, each 60c

Indian Dolls, each \$1.35

—Art Needlework, First Floor

## French Lingerie

### Priced for Clearance Dainty Gifts



A sample assortment of dainty Lingerie, made of finest grade mainsook, hand-sewn and hand embroidered.

Chemises, values \$3.75, for ..... \$2.75

Chemises, values \$5.75, for ..... \$3.90

Chemises, values \$6.75, for ..... \$4.90

Nightgowns, values \$4.75, for ..... \$3.50

Nightgowns, values \$7.50, for ..... \$4.90

Corset Covers, value \$3.45, for ..... \$1.98

Corset Covers, value \$3.50, for ..... \$2.90

Slips, values \$6.75, for ..... \$4.90

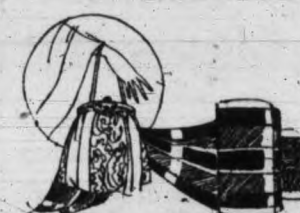
Drawers, values \$4.50, for ..... \$2.98

## Dainty Dresses for Baby

### Values to \$3.50, for \$1.95

Dresses of fine quality all-over Swiss embroidery, and yoke trimmed with lace, neck and sleeves edged with lace and trimmed with ribbon rosettes. Clearing at, each ..... \$1.95

—Infants' First Floor



6-inch Plaid Ribbon, in great variety, very strong and suitable for hair ribbons. Per yard ..... 50c

Lingerie Crepe Ribbon, blue, pink and white, veur rose. In great demand for Christmas. Selling at, a yard, 3c, 5c, 6c and ..... 8c

## A Selection of Christmas Ribbon

10-inch Roman Stripe Faille Ribbon, brown, black and taupe. A heavy grade. Per yard ..... 69c

Dresden Ribbons, in choice colorings, ideal grade for sachet bags, hair ribbons or fancy work for Christmas gifts; 5 inches wide. Big value, a yard ..... 49c

—Ribbons, Main Floor

## Handbags for Christmas Gifts

New English Leather Bags, in morocco, crocodile, puma; shown in all the latest shades. Priced, \$4.95 to \$15.75

Novelty Boxes, with shell case, in shades of fawn, green, brown, red, blue and black ..... \$5.75

Vanity Boxes, Pouch Bags and Hand Bags, special values at ..... \$2.95

—Main Floor

## Perfumery, French Ivory Toilet Articles

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Perfumes, high-class odors in dainty boxes and cases; from as low as ..... 35c

Moubrant's Choice Perfumery, nicely got up in gift boxes at exceptionally reasonable prices.

Coty's High-grade Perfumes, Eau de Cologne, etc., in handy gift cases and bottles. See our place.

Roger & Gallet's Perfumes, in original packages, \$2.25 and ..... \$2.50

Roger & Gallet's Soaps, in all odors. Box of 3 cakes, \$1.35

Hudnut's Christmas Gift Cases, containing a full line of toilet articles. See window. Up from ..... \$1.75

Djer-Kiss Sets. This popular odor makes an acceptable gift. The sets contain a variety of articles. Up from ..... \$3.75

Gay Paree. Complete perfume and toilet article coffrets. A handsome gift, \$8.00, \$10.00

Pot Pourrie, made from flowers grown in Victoria gardens, a unique gift for mailing. Large tins ..... \$1.10

Incense and Incense Burners, specially suitable for Christmas gifts, up from ..... 25c

French Ivory. You cannot get a better anywhere in this line. Our quality and prices are unbeatable.

Military Hair Brushes, splendid values, priced up from, per pair ..... \$1.75

Whalebone Hair Brushes, at all prices. See our special Brush and comb in a gift box ..... \$1.25

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Women's Work Tables of Walnut, several designs. Big values for \$17.50 to \$40.00

Wickerwork Baskets, finished in ivory enamel, with wood top and shelf at \$12.50 to \$16.50

Wickerwork Baskets, well made, brown finish and with covered top and shelf. \$7.50 to \$12.50

—Furniture, Second Floor

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Caps in all the popular cloths with plain backs or pleat at side or pleated backs. The shades are dark grey, drab, brown, green blue mixture and fawn. Select value at \$2.50, \$2.75, \$2.95

—Caps, Main Floor

Merchandise Assembled from Every Land Under the Sun to Supply Christmastide Needs of Thousands of People



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## Games of Every Description

In the following list you will find any game you may have in mind, and lots you have not heard of. Games that will furnish entertainment and pleasure for young and old.

To the North Pole, at \$1.75

and \$1.50

Tailless Donkey, each \$1.50

Zoological Lotto, each \$1.50

Silver Lotto, each \$1.75

Geographical Lotto, each \$1.50

Plain Lotto, each \$1.50

Ludo, each \$2.50, 25¢

Royal Ludo, each \$1.00

Trip to the Moon, each \$1.00 and \$1.75

Malma, complete, 50¢ and 75¢

Aerial Contest, 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.00

Two Naughty Boys, 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.00

Game of Goats, 50¢ and 75¢

The Maze, 25¢, 50¢, \$1.00

Snakes and Ladders, 25¢ and \$1.00

Ups and Downs, each \$1.00

Checker Boards, 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.00

Checkers 15¢ and 35¢

Dominoes, a set, 35¢ and 50¢

Motor Race, 25¢, 50¢, 85¢

Puzzle Compendium, at \$1.25 and \$1.50

Outja Boards, each \$1.25

Treasure Island, each \$1.00

Roulette, each \$3.50

Pollyanna, each \$2.00

Hop-o-My Hat, each \$3.50

Counter Jumping Game, \$3.75

Rummy and Piazza at \$1.50

Magnetic Fishing, 25¢ and 50¢

Blow Football, each \$1.75 and \$2.75

Funny Face Game, at \$1.00

Playtime Game, each \$1.00

Wonder Speller, each \$1.00

Quits, a set \$1.00

Croquet, a set \$1.00

Steeple Chase, each \$2.50

Young Magician, 25¢, 50¢ and \$1.50

Mystic Magic, each \$1.75

Tidy Winks, 35¢, 50¢, 75¢

Table Tennis, a set \$1.25

\$1.75, \$1.90, \$2.95, \$3.75

La Ville Frog Pond, each \$1.50

Bubbles, 25¢ and 35¢

Draughts, a set \$1.00

Across Canada, for \$1.95

Mystic Magic, each \$1.75

Roulette, each \$1.00

Tip-Tops Boxing, each \$1.75

Lost Hair, each \$2.00

Snap, 25¢ and 35¢

Old Maid, each \$1.25

Jack the Giant Killer, for 15¢

Rocks, each \$1.25

Joy Wheel Game, for \$5.00

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Tapestry Tablecloths, in green or red shades; sizes 64 x 67 inches. An extra special value at \$3.95

Cushions made of attractive cretonnes, relieved with piping of plain material, each \$1.35

Cretonne Shopping Bags, with metal handles. Every bag well lined. Special value at \$1.35

Velour Table Runners, 50 x 15 inches. Neatly trimmed with metallic galloon and tapestry panels at each \$4.50

Cushions in fancy shapes of velour tapestry and shadow cloth, each \$5.00

Tapestry Portiere Curtains rose or brown \$10.00 values for \$7.50

—Drapery, Second Floor

## Gifts for the Home Lover in the Carpet Department

Axminster Hearthrugs Wilton Hearthrugs

Rich Looking, Deep Pile Hearthrugs, in choice designs; size 36 x 63, \$8.95

Size 27 x 54 at \$5.90

Bissell Carpet Sweepers, are ideal Christmas gifts. Grand Rapids, for \$6.00

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—Books, Lower Main Floor

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2 pairs for \$1.25

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—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

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All the black thoughts were very busy one morning filling the mind of a little girl that sat by the road-side looking as black as a thunder-cloud.

The little girl did not want to go to school, for one thing, and she was thinking about her mother for another. She had to wear a dress she did not like, so she thought more bad thoughts.

She wished, too, that the teacher would fall down and break her leg. Wasn't that a dreadful black thought. Then she would not have to go to school. She wished her mother would be sorry she was not let her wear the dress she wanted to wear.

Black thoughts, as I told you, were very busy indeed filling the mind of that poor little girl.

"I'll run away," said the little girl, or rather the black thoughts said it, for no little girl is bad unless the black thoughts get into her mind.

So off she ran into the woods. She ran and ran, she never knew how far. But all at once she found herself by the cave of an old witch who was sitting by the opening, crooning some magic tune.

"Ah, I thought I could bring you here," said the old witch when she saw the girl.

"You didn't bring me here," said the little girl, looking very cross. "I came here myself."

"Ah, but I sent my magic chant out for black thoughts," said the old

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## THE STEP ON THE STAIR

BY ANNA KATHARINE GREEN

Author of "The Leavenworth Case," "The Filigree Ball," "The Mystery of the Hasty Arrow," Etc.

Why I did not leap to my feet I do not know. I thought I did, shouting a wild disclaimer. If men stared and women shrieked that was nothing to me. All that I cared for was Orpha sitting there listening to this hellish accusation. So maddened was I, so dead to all human conditions that I doubt if I should have been surprised had the ghostly figure of my uncle evolved itself from air and taken its place on the witness-stand in revolt against this horror. Anything was possible, but to let the world—by which I meant Orpha—believe this thing for a moment.

All this tumult in brain and heart, and my body quiet, fixed, with not a muscle so much as quivering. "My father was a man of great strength," said Mr. Jackson, for when I looked in his direction I found him gazing very earnestly in mine. "It must have been a very dreary smile and ironic in the extreme, for my heart was filled with bitterness and could express itself in no other way."

The decided shake of the head which he gave me in return had its effect, however, and digging my nails into my palms I felt that I was followed with all the stolidism of the situation called for.

I was still in a state of rigid self-control when I heard my name called loudly and with command and woke to the fact that Westhead had been dismissed from the stand and that I was to be the next witness.

Was I ready for it? I must be; and to test my strength, I cast one straight look at Orpha. She had lifted her veil and met my gaze fairly. Had there been guilt in my heart?

But I could pass her without shame; and sustained by this fact, I took my place on the stand with calmness I had hardly expected to show in the face of this prejudiced throng.

As my story, sometimes elicited by questions and sometimes allowed to take the form of an uninterrupted narrative, differed from the statement from the one already given in these pages, I see no reason for recapitulating it here any more than I did the one I told days before to the inspector. Fixed in my determination to be honest in all I said but not to say any more than was required, I was ready for the worst.

My testimony, if accepted as truth, established certain facts.

That Mr. Bartholomew had changed his mind more than once as to which of us two nephews he would leave the bulk of his fortune.

That I had shown positive decision only on the night preceding his death, declaring to me that I was his final choice.

That, notwithstanding this, he had not then and there destroyed the will antagonistic to this decision, as would seem natural if his mind had been really settled in its resolve; but had kept them both in hand up to the time of my departure from the room.

That late in the night after a long search with myself in the library on the lower floor, I had come upstairs, and in my anxiety to know whether my uncle was awake or resting quietly after a disturbing evening, had stopped to listen first at one of his doors and then at the other; but had refrained from going in, or even seeing my uncle again until summoned with the rest of the family to hear his dying wishes.

That when he handed one of the wills to his daughter and bade her

burn it in the large bowl he had ordered placed at his bedside, I believed it to be the one I had expected to see him burn the night before, and that I just as confidently believed that the one which had been taken from the other envelope and put away in some spot not yet discovered was the one designating me as his chief heir according to his promise, and I should so believe until it was found and I was shown to the contrary.

The idea in so far as I was able, that I had been so fearful of his changing his mind again that I was willing to cut his life short rather than run the risk of losing my inheritance.

For I was sensible enough to see that to minds so prejudiced, the fact that the favoring myself having been the last one drawn, afforded them sufficient excuse for a supposition which seemed the only explanation possible for the mystery they were facing.

A few were undoubtedly influenced either by my earnestness or the dignity which innocence gives to the testifying man, but the many, not to mention the conclusion of my testimony, was forced to repress Orpha on my way back to my seat, I found that I no longer had the courage to meet her eyes, test to see pity there or, what was worse, an attempt to accept what I had to say against reason and possibly against her own judgment.

But when her name was called and with a quick unthinking of her face she took her place upon the stand, I could not keep my glances back.

self but of her and the suffering which she must undergo if her examination was to be of any help in untangling the threads of this involved inquiry.

That I was justified in my fears was at once apparent, for the first question which attracted attention and drew every head forward in breathless interest and undisguised curiosity was this:

"Miss Bartholomew, I regret that I must trespass upon matters which I respect for yourself and family I should be glad to leave untouched. But conditions force me to ask if the rumor is correct that you are engaged to marry your cousin, Edgar, whom you have been brought up."

"No," she answered at once, with that clear ring to her voice which showed that it was effort to the remotest corner of the room. "I am engaged to no one. But am under obligation, gladly entered into because I am glad to leave untouched."

"The coroner raised his gavel, and laid it down again, for the excitement called forth by the calm dignity of this answer, was of that deep and absorbing kind which shrinks from noisy demonstration."

"Miss Bartholomew, do you know or have you any suspicion as to where he might have thrust this document on taking it out of the envelope?"

"None."

"Miss Bartholomew, you have heard the last witness state that your father distinctly told him on the night before his death that he had decided to make him the chief inheritor. Did you father ever make the same declaration to you?"

"He has said that he found my foreign cousin admirable."

"That hardly answers my question, Miss Bartholomew."

"Ah, how lovely she was! But in my whole life I never saw her so lovely."

"He once asked me if I could rely on his judgment in the choice of my future husband," came reluctantly from her lips. "Up till then I had not been aware that there was to be any choice."

"You mean—"

(To be continued.)

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## Vancouver Island News

### HONOR BRAVERY OF ALBERNI MAN

Jumped Into Waters of Canal and Rescued Companion

Special to The Times

Alberni, Dec. 11.—At the annual meeting of the Alberni Agricultural and Industrial Association reports were received from the retiring officers and the finance committee, showed the association to be in a sound condition. The treasurer reported a balance on hand after all accounts were paid of over \$40.

The election of officers for the ensuing year then took place as follows: President, A. W. Neill, M.P.; hon. vice-presidents, the Mayors of Alberni and Port Alberni for 1924; president, R. J. Hotchkiss; vice-president, E. M. Whyte; secretary-treasurer, Roy H. A. Bain; directors, Messrs. E. L. Gill, A. I. Pines, T. Newell, W. Thomson, R. Milligan, Dr. C. T. Hillon, R. Milligan, C. J. Spratt, and Messrs. Hodgson, Croil, Forrest, Gill, Burde, Stephens, Atkinson and Strick.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to E. L. Gill, the retiring president, who had so ably filled the position for a number of years.

The Alberni Boy Scouts Association held a very successful concert in the Clark's Hall last Friday night, when a splendid programme was rendered by the following artists: Solon, by Miss Garfield and Stevedore, by Messrs. Spratt and Stephens; slight of hand performance by Messrs. Bailey and Cruikshank; and choruses by the Girl Guides and the Boy Scouts and Cubs.

A very pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation by Major Jas. R. Motion, of the Royal Humane Society's medal for the saving of life to Gus Edlund, a young man of twenty-one years of age.

It was on September 14, 1922, that while working loading a boat with lumber at the Alberni Pacific Lumber Co.'s mill that Frank Sohier, in turning a heavy timber over on the deck, missed his footing and fell overboard in the waters of the Alberni Canal. The cry immediately went up of a man overboard, and a life buoy was thrown, but the man being unable to swim could not reach it, and young Gus Edlund jumped overboard, fully clothed, a distance of thirty feet from the deck to the water. He missed Sohier in his first attempt, and had to come back to the surface, when the men on board shouted, there he was right under him, for Sohier had begun to sink by this time, and Edlund, caught between the collar, and gave him an upward jerk as he was passing the now unconscious man, and on coming back again towards the surface caught hold of him and brought him to the surface. A line was then thrown, but the wind was blowing pretty strong, and the line had to be thrown three times before Gus Edlund could get a grip on it. He then held on with one hand, while he held on to Sohier with the other until a boat came and took the victim of the accident on board, and Gus hung on to the stern of the boat, while they rowed ashore, where they were both rushed to the West Coast General Hospital for care and treatment, and both soon recovered.

The above is a recital of the accident and the rescue as told to the Worshipful Mayor Motion by eyewitnesses of the accident.

His Worship, in a few well chosen words, congratulated Gus on his pluck and bravery in plunging to the assistance of his fellow workman, fully clothed as he was at great risk to himself, and thanked him on behalf of the citizens of the community for his noble efforts. His Worship also gave a short sketch of the history of the Royal Humane Society, and then called Mrs. Bagshaw, to pin the medal on Mr. Edlund, which was done amidst rousing cheers by the gallant led by Scoutmaster J. B. Watson and his Scouts. Mrs. Bagshaw also presented a bouquet of white chrysanthemums to Mrs. Edlund.

Alberni has been visited during the past few days with one of the heaviest and rain storms in the memory of its oldest inhabitants, which has done considerable damage

### RESIDENTS OCCUPY NEW PUBLIC HALL

Cowichan Bay Suffered by Recent Storm

Special to The Times

Cowichan Bay, Dec. 11.—On Wednesday night, a severe storm of wind and rain was experienced along the Bay and several boats got drifted, and many trees fell in the vicinity of Cowichan Bay, doing damage to telegraph wires. The service was interrupted for two days. On Thursday morning a slight covering of snow was to be seen on Tsohualem Mountain which soon disappeared. The velocity of the wind on Wednesday night was tremendous and the amount of the rainfall during the night registered one and three-quarter inches.

The new building at Cowichan Station, on the site of the old hall is now completed and was used for the first time on Saturday, when by invitation of the South Cowichan Badminton Club, about sixty people attended. Members of the Duncan Badminton Club joined in the match. The hall was a comfortable place for the full-sized courts, and is lighted with gasolene lights. A large stove for heating and electric light is installed. While the old hall is utilized for dressing rooms, kitchen and tea room, a delicious tea was served, presided over by Mrs. Mackie, Mrs. and Miss M. Waugh, assisted by gentlemen of the committee.

The Bridge Tournament which was organized to aid the funds of the circulating library at Cowichan Station, is in full swing and many enjoyable afternoons have been spent. The convenience of those who do not care to so far afield for their games, the Tournament has been arranged in two sections, the houses combined together being chosen when possible. Much interest is centred on the competition and so far the winner is an unknown quantity. The value of such a library in the country almost as good as a great boon and deserves every support.

NEARLY LOST BUILDING BY SERIOUS FIRE

Nanaimo, Dec. 12.—J. C. McGuffie, secretary of the Nanaimo Civic Athletic Association, wrote the city council today, asking for a grant of \$1,000 in view of the fact that the new gymnasium was now in operation, there was no longer a necessity for his Association to retain the building on Chapel Street known as the Athletic Building, and he therefore requested that the council would again resume charge. In commenting on the communication, Mayor Busby remarked that since the property had been vacated by the Athletic Association, it had been almost destroyed by fire. The building had been left open, and some children had entered, stuffed papers between the joists, and fired them. Only for prompt appearance of the fire department, the whole building would have been destroyed.

Following the above communication was one from Charles Marsh, secretary-treasurer of the G.W.V.A., asking for an appointment for a delegation to meet the council from his association to discuss the possibility of the G.W.V.A. taking over charge of the building known as the Athletic Building. On motion, a date will be arranged to meet the delegation from the G.W.V.A.

Special to The Times

Duncan, Dec. 12.—The special social evening arranged by the members of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Monday evening was largely attended. It was given for the purpose of welcoming three new elders and saying farewell to a short time to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Paterson, who are leaving for a three months' visit to Scotland at the end of this year.

The "ministry," Mr. Walter Wallace acted as chairman and made excellent speeches of welcome and farewell. The elders, H. Fox, Peter Campbell and David Ford, made suitable replies and Mr. Paterson responded in his usual apt manner.

A delightful musical programme was carried out, consisting of songs by Mrs. Hadden Smith, Mr. Colbourne and Mrs. A. Johnson acted as hostesses and delicious refreshments were served under the direction of Mrs. Hugh Clark, Mrs. King, Mrs. Gregory and Mrs. Donald Robertson.

Oh Tuesday evening the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will hold its literary meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Thomson.

The feature of the evening will be a talk on Shakespeare by Hugh Savage.

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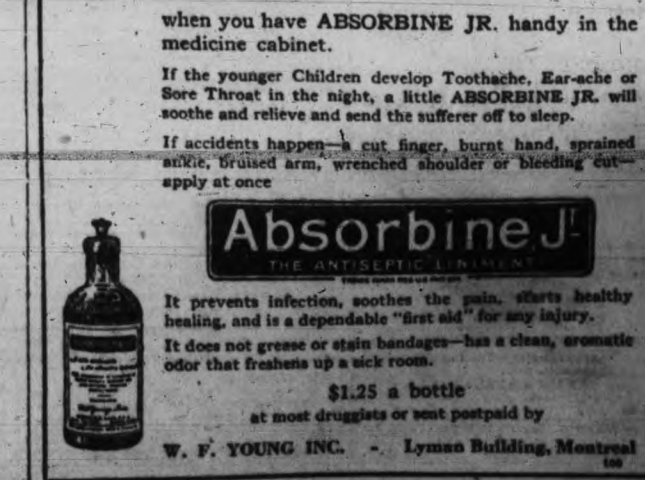
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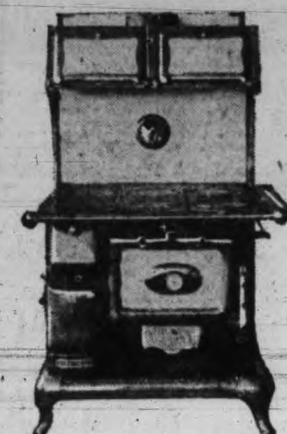


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## THREAT OF BLOWS IN VERBAL FIGHT

Tilt Between Commissioner Aspirant and Former Commissioner Occurs

Captain A. M. Aitken, candidate for Police Commissioner, had a lively tilt with former Commissioner J. C. North at the election meeting at Victoria West last evening.

Mr. North asked the candidate if elected, would he sell insurance to the civic employees, or work for the public?

The candidate was about to reply, but the former commissioner started to make a statement, whereupon Captain Aitken said if North did not sit down he would knock him down.

"You are not able to knock me down," rejoined North, "I will sit down when I am ready."

Captain Aitken rose, and stated that North had a letter—he understood it was unsigned—which was shown to voters at the polls during the last election. This letter alleged that he had solicited school teachers for insurance, at the time he was trustee, and had promised increases of salary to teachers who did so.

"If any teacher will come forward and prove that statement, I will give \$100 to charity," asserted Captain Aitken.

"When I was in the Council also I never asked any employee to insure; in fact I refused to do it," Captain Aitken thereupon declared that he could prove conclusively his statements.

He demanded the letter from Mr. North, and after some recrimination North left the meeting, Capt. Aitken as a parting shot remarking that he would willingly go out and settle with him outside.

The business of the meeting then resumed.

**CAPT. AITKEN**  
In making his appeal Captain Aitken referred to his past service as school trustee and alderman.

He said he wanted more attention to be given to the narcotic situation which was prevalent here. He believed the police could do more good in checking drug trafficking rather than in harassing the Chinese. He favored strict carrying out of the anti-drug regulations, irrespective of whom it might affect, and the enforcement of the liquor law. A vigorous administration was promised if he were elected.

**MR. STANLAND**  
Commissioner W. E. Stanland declined to make a defensive of his administration. When he went into office, the police department was in an uproar owing to the removal of three detectives. They were told their finger print system would go to pieces, instead the system was a credit to the citizens, and lined by broadcasting with all chief cities. Police duty was not prosecution, but prevention. He was always in favor of prevention, as they knew in the interests of the smaller ratepayers. Accusations were made of graft in Chinatown, and of dope coming from abroad. The issue had been faced and dealt with vigorously, as a result of negotiations with the representative of the Chinese Government the Chinese had been concentrated in clubs away from white influence. For his part he was against frequent and unnecessary raids in Chinatown, and had so told the Chief of Police.

"Give me a good Act and then I will enforce it," said the Commissioner in dealing with the question of liquor enforcement. Mr. Stanland then dealt with the suppression of objectionable features in so-called clubs downtown.

Mr. Stanland said it was through his administration that a Yates Street club was closed.

A voice—Since when?

Another voice—It is not closed up. From the audience—Was not some liquor shipped in there Saturday from the Government vendors?

Mr. Stanland replied that so long as the liquor vendors could sell it was very difficult to check the situation. Anyway, the Attorney-General had issued instructions to close the club.

Alluding to the anti-narcotic situation, Mr. Stanland alluded to his report, and making a statement affecting the Mounted Police said Sergeant Jones was a "straight shooter."

Many objectionable places had been closed up. What should happen to a policeman who trafficked in drugs? "Shoot him," from the audience.

Mr. Stanland asserted that he should stand behind the Attorney-General and Claude L. Harrison, in the fight against the drug traffic.

Mrs. Emma Hood, in her letter, made no promises, declaring she was an independent, asked for their suffrages.

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